

A little bustling and cold this forenoon, but the weather became more pleasant afternoon. Colin finished the plowing by the side of the potatoes - the Mangold patch & and he plowed out a run for the water from the hollow wet spot on the field forward of it, and I shovelled it out and cleared all the furrow ends. Colin started to plow the orchard by plowing up the trees with "Doc" alone. I covered up the fruit trees I purchased of Stone & Wellington, on the line of trees in the orchard.

Robert Gollop and John came up to John's today. They had dinner with us. John bought John's colt and paid him a hundred dollars cash down for him, they seem well pleased with the colt, he is a very stylish animal and a good size and good horse.

I wrote a letter for John Webb this Morn to an applicant for his farm, giving him particulars regarding it. Willie drove out from Guelph this forenoon, he took the Coal Stone. I gave him a bag of apples, and he took straw for a bed. he had Scott & Millman's rig which carried the whole business nicely.

Hard frost last night and the ground was pretty hard this morning. Colin got on to the plow however, although it was not very pleasant plowing in the forenoon, it was all right after dinner. I took down 2 Ewes and John Webb's ram lamb he purchased of Henry Dunbar. we were catching the ewes to clip the legs from them, and Colin broke the front leg of one of them by holding it by the leg alone. I had to butcher it, as I did not think it would do any good by keeping, but as it was in fair condition, so that it will not be much of a loss.

I have had a day's churning, fixing up things around. Churned for Maggie. Set up the corn in the hay mow. Started to keep the fat cattle in to day. and the butchering of the sheep was unexpected.

Very rough last night, rain and Sleet, it rained on till nine o'clock this morning, Colin got on then to the plowing of the orchard and it kept him till night to finish up.

I have been very busy again Choring to day. I got the glass last night at Everton and put in 5 panes in the sash at the pig house and placed them, protecting them against the fowls by nailing on lath across the sash. I also fixed up the door step and jambs as they had rotted out below and otherwise gone wrong. repaired the wheelbarrow and attended the stock. Cut up the sheep and helped the girls come, they have got done cleaning up to night, have been a couple of days at it. Colin drove to Everton this evening, he brought home a letter from Ewart, Holyoke, giving some particulars about Mother's journey hither.

Stormy last night

fixing up things - preparing for winter

Colin - finished plowing orchard

Mary and Maggie finished the cleaning up the house this evening

Weather finer to day. it has been rather cold but sunshiny and very pleasant. Colin plowed for John all day. Maggie and I drove down to McKenzies this forenoon, the roads were good and we had a pleasant drive. Many stayed at home here. we got down to Eden between 10 & 11 o'clock. quite a number from a distance gathered there shortly after that time. Among them the Auctioneer Ingram. The grounds around the house and barn were dry and made the work of the Sale much more pleasant than if it had been muddy. The Sale began about 2 o'clock and the implements &c were not long in being disposed of. The auctioneer hung longer on his bids for the stock, and fair prices were realized for the greater part of it. I bought the first Cow that was put up, \$30.⁰⁰. She is 5 or 6 years old and Bella says she is the best milker they have. John bid quite a few articles in, but, with the exception of the old mare and Colt, he did not put up what stock he kept. I was pleased to learn that the Sale made so much money \$570. perhaps there were \$150 worth bid back to himself. Willie bought the 3 year old he is quite a lively and showy animal, he bid him up to \$53.⁰⁰ he paid the cash and was allowed the discount, making it \$49.00 it was late before Maggie and returned home.

Fine day for Mr. Kenzie's Sale which came off this afternoon

Colin plowed for John to day.

bought a Cow at the Sale for \$30.⁰⁰

Willie bought the 3 year old Colt.

Limits a snow storm last night and the ground today Lillie has quite a mantle of snow upon it. There was no frost a mantle when the snow fell on the ground. but it became frostier and colder this afternoon as night approached. This morning it was the intention that Colin plow at Robert Mortons to day. but there was too much snow for plowing so didn't go. I piled stove wood in the wood house this A.M. and Colin rigged up the Bobsleighs and drew it in. It is lucky that John McKenzie had his sale yesterday instead of to day, so much snow and cold frosty air in the afternoon would have made it very unpleasant to be standing or walking round at a sale. dragging in the stone wood and piling it in the wood house.

Colin brought over the Democrat after dinner and we bagged up 10 bags of apples and loaded them in the barn. 8 bags Knowles, and 2 Talman and Streets. There are quite a few culls left in the pile and I have directed Colin to get them carried in to the cellar tomorrow when I am away to Guelph.

Frost keen last night and the ground is frozen hard this morning. It softened up some by dinner time and John plowed in the afternoon. Colin helped him take in his barreled apples to day. he also carried in our culls into the cellar. I started for Guelph about 1/2 past seven, and had very hard frozen roads. "Fred & Doc" was the team. King being clipped so lately I do not care to expose him too much to the cold. When a little past the frog pond, the off front wheel tire burst, and I was afraid of the wheel's collapse. The bolts held the tire on however while I drove cautiously to Penfolds and got a wire wound on it till I sold and delivered my load. after which I got 7 spokes and a 1/2 rim and tire set, which, with the old set of pole &c. made \$3.68 which I paid in full. I realized for apples & sheepskin \$3.35. apples 25^{cts} per bag except one at 20^{cts}. Sheepskin 90^{cts}. bought 5 gals Coal oil 80^{cts} oatmeal 25^{cts} Barrel Salt at Scott & Millman \$1.25. it was well towards night before I started for home. didn't go up to Willis to day. Saw him on the market. also saw Colin Campbell.

Sunday 15

A very fine day. Colin & Maggie drove twice to Evers to day. Many came home with them in the evening. I took a walk to John Webb's in the evening. Maggie and I joined in a letter to Holyoke to day.

A most beautiful day for this time of the year. The air has been mild and balmy and clear Sunshine has prevailed all day long.

Colin has plowed at Robert Mortons all day. I owed Robert a day's work, with the team, he worked with John at building the granary, and also had his team at our threshing. I was patching the roof on the out buildings this forenoon, after dinner I drove over to the Centre Inn and attended our meeting of the Board of Health. Drs Dryden and Dwyer Stone were both present. Mr Auld, John Red and Hugh Black. we made up the account. \$16.⁰⁰ for Mr Auld. \$5.⁰⁰ for Hugh Black. \$2.⁵⁰ John Red. \$5.⁰⁰ for myself and \$11.³⁰ for the Doctor. making \$28.³⁰

After returning home I hurried up with the team of the cattle and stables and pig feeding. and then drove over to Erin village and attended a meeting of the A.O.U.W. there was quite a nice gathering and a pleasant social time, hot coffee and biscuit and cheese. the matter of how to celebrate the anniversary of the lodge up Erin was taken and the different views ventilated. I think they will have an entertainment made up of home talent.

Colin plowing at Morton.

patching the roof with shingles

Meeting of the Board of Health at the Centre Inn

over at a meeting at Erin of the A.O.U.W.

TUESDAY 17

(324-41)

A fine day in the fore part. but weather was threatening all the time until rain did come pretty heavy in the evening. Colin and I went at drawing and piling the stone wood in the wood house, he drew it with the horses and Bobshigs and I piled it up the while. after getting in all the stone wood we gathered together the lumber and drew it to the shed and put it up above so as to keep it dry.

I was helping Maggie and Mary to make 2 little tables, they make them up very nice looking with Binder twine and Cloth top after the frames are made. old broom handles make the legs and after being fastened on the tops they are wrapped all their length with binder twine.

drawing in stone wood.

helping Maggie & Mary to make tables

Rather windy and boisterous to day, not cold however. at night, or rather towards night, we had several very heavy Showers and the wind at each Shower blew up very high we did up some Choring this morning and at about 1/2 past ten Colin and I started off for McKenzies. we got down there as they were at their dinner. after dinner Colin started off for home leading the Cow I bought John and I started over to Anderson's Sale as I wanted to see the Bobsleighs that were to be sold there. They did not suit me at all so I did not bid on them. I bought a Scuffer of Goudy's mare. Comparatively new for \$11.50. John wished to wait till a horse, he had an idea of bidding on, sold. it went too high for him. and we immediately after started for home. after getting tea I hitched up and drove home a good deal of rain fell and the wind was very high. as it was mostly blowing from behind however, I was able to put up the top which sheltered me from the rain. Mr Kingsbury is busy plowing now and boarding at John's

Colin and I drove down to McKenzies led home the Cow and I went to a Sale with John & Mr. King - bought a Scuffer John paid me \$7.00 On A. D. M. M. account

Very hard frost last night and the ground has been quite hard the most of the day. Colin hitched up the horses and drove up to McKilliam's gravel pit for a load of Sand and gravel for the Cattle Stable. I had a busy forenoon hanging and fixing up the storm doors. The wind has been very cold to day and been sifting into the house. The storm doors are a great protection after we had dinner, Willie Keas Son and a Mr. Geary came along wishing to negotiate with Colin about the renting of his place. They had their dinner and afterwards came to an understanding to meet in Guelph on Saturday regarding the renting of the farm. Mr. Geary took a notion of one of our Sucking pigs which we just took off the Sow to day. he gave me \$1.50 for it. I set Colin at plowing between the raspberry bushes this afternoon and he afterwards brought home some evergreen boughs for covering the Strawberries we got a letter from Ewart. Holyoke. This evening he says his Mother seems to be enjoying herself and keeping well.

brought home a load of Sand for the Cattle - Stables Colin negotiated with Mr. Geary about renting his farm sold him a sucking pig for \$1.50 plowing Raspberry berries Letter from Ewart.

Very hard frost again last night and the ground is very hard this morning and indeed if softened but very little all day. It has been a very pleasant day however especially in the forenoon when we had clear and bright Sunshine. Colin and I have been charring and fixing up all day around the premises. we saved up all the old - Cills and other bumpers in the yard and drew it into the wood house. we also covered the strawberries with the branches and pea straw. I also finished up the blocking of the far stall in the cattle stable and changed the steers into it. we also moved the sheep into the stall next to them and got room to put in all the young cattle. it has now got so cold at night that the cattle are better in the stable.

SATURDAY 21

(328-37)

This morning showed signs of continued frost and very dull and threatening, about 8 o'clock snow began to fall and by noon I should think there was nearly, if not quite, 5 inches of snow. it was astonishing how everything around was white. I was glad no having done so much yesterday in preparation for winter.

Colin charred it to Guelph to day and I have had the work & care of the stock all to myself. I also set about fixing up around again, fixing the windows for root house, which had gone wrong, and placing them in. in the afternoon Johnny came and helped me make the granary door, but did not get it hung however. there is considerable work to prepare it for hanging. the beam above the granary had to be hewed to admit of the hanging apparatus being placed upon it. we will have to get another turn at it to finish it. Mr Webb called up to see us this evening.

Robert and Mr McMillan are both away to Owen Sound their Brother John has died and will be buried tomorrow.

Colin went to Guelph to day. made the granary door.

Johnny has died and will be buried tomorrow.

Sunday 22

Quite a wintery appearance to day. The snow is drier to day than yesterday afternoon. when it had the appearance of softening. I drove over to Colton this forenoon. Thos. had just returned from Holstein. I had dinner with them and they went off to meeting when I returned home. Maggie and Colin went to Everton meeting this evening. they did not go to day.

Milder to day. especially in the afternoon when the snow began to give way. towards night it became soft and misty and a regular thaw set in.

Johnny came over this forenoon and we finished hanging and fixing the granary door.

Colin and I fixed up other things around boarded up the top of the granary. and cleaned up the chips and dirt in the barn, we closed up the door way on the west end of the shed and boarded up the dilapidated part of the siding of the barn in front.

We have now begun to feed the outside 11 pigs better. they have lately been shut out from getting anything on the ground in the fields, and they have been failing. I have also started to feed the turkeys and the other fowls more liberally. I have given what we expect to be, the fattening hog's last feed to night, we intend killing them on Wednesday forenoon and will starve them all day tomorrow.

A very fair day. Sunshine and Summer like. quite a contrast to the weather which has lately prevailed. the snow has gone about as fast as it came. and the temperature so very mild besides makes the changes very swift and very great.

I drove to Eveston this morning and mailed 3 letters, one to Holyoke, and one to Alex. McGregor, and another with four dollars enclosed to Mr Robt. Wood, in payment of Singer Assmt and Relig Call No 17 of one dollar for myself and John McKelvie.

Colin took the old white cow to Barber's this forenoon. I finished blocking the second stall in the Cattle Stable this afternoon. and spent awhile preparing for the pig killing tomorrow. Carried 10 pails water to the boiler in pig pen. Colin plowed the garden plot in front field and took out some manure. also plowed the old straw berry patch. I visited Daniel Talbot this morning, who is now very much used up from his experience at Buffalo. he was struck by a passenger train. Engine - while going westward. he is likely to recover from its effects however.

Sow taken down to Barber's today.

A very wet and unpleasant day, the rain forms into ice as it falls and the east wind that blows is not frosty but it is chilly and unpleasant. it is also misty this forenoon. Colin and I had quite a job getting the boiler ready to bail the water for pig killing this morning. The pipes are rotten and we could hardly get them to hold together while we bailed the water. we succeeded at last however, and got started to kill about nine o'clock when Shop Colton came to hand. we had them all done by dinner time excepting to finish cleaning the intestines, that being my job. Thomas and I drove down to John Jellins Auction Sale of Stock, he had five Cows and they were sold reasonable more reasonable than was pleasant for the owner, but, no doubt, the weather had some effect in keeping people from coming.

Mrs James McCullough was buried to day, poor woman, she has had a long time of suffering from that terrible typhoid fever, they are an afflicted family, 6 of them having been laid up with the disease.

A very fine and Summer like day. very mild in temperature and beautiful sunshine more like July weather than this day of the year. Colin has been doing up the Chops this forenoon, splitting wood &c. and helped me to draw over to the old dining room the three pigs, we weighed them at the barn in passing. one of them 195 lbs. 171. 165 = 531 I cut them ^{meat} all up and boned them ready for sitting before dinner. after dinner I salted them down in the cellar, and afterwards - Colin and I went together with the team to the old "Stony acre" ground and spent the afternoon in drawing off stones and continuing the fence we have been building this year. There is yet about a quarter of an acre or so to be cleared of stones and I would like to have it all under the plow.

Another very fine and beautiful day, it has been inclined to wind and rain a little at times, but the fine weather prevailed mostly.

Colin and I with the team spent the forenoon at the old "Stony acre" corner, building the fence of stones. Colin worked alone for at this afternoon, taking off the old rails and other timber and stumps and rubbish. I pitched up as soon as I ate my dinner and drove up to Baldwin where John Loree's effects were being sold. I wanted to see the Bobsleighs sold, they went too high for me and besides I did not like them. I bought a logging Chain 55^{cts} and 2 long trace Chains 15^{cts}. in all 70^{cts}. Poor John has made a very poor fist of his opportunities in life, he and his wife shipped off to Manitoba a week or two ago, and left some mowmovers, he had better remained and wound everything up even if he kept back enough to take him to Manitoba. The roads are now heavy from the melting of the late snow, and from the recent rains.

~~November~~ November

SATURDAY 28 (335-30)

Cold and frosty last night and to day. but very pleasant. Colin and I have been all day working among the stones at the Stony acre. we dug round the large stones and drew them out to the surface of the ground. Some of the largest we took up and drew them along and deposited them on the line of fence. one very large stone we had to roll it along principally until getting it to its place at the fence. The Chain I bought at Baldwin's Sale came in good, as the other was too short. I am pleased to see the stones - getting scarce in that corner, they have been for a long term of years an eye sore on the farm. I have often wished the boys to take the matter in hand and get it cleaned up and made ready for the plow, but they always shun the locality of it.

Sunday 29

Continues Cold and wintry again. The frost is beginning to seek into the ground and shut out the plow & spade &c. Colin and Maggie have been twice at Everton meeting. Maggie and I wrote a letter to Ewart - Holborn, and we mailed it at night. I walked down with John & the girls this evening and got some shocks on the Electric battery.

November

MONDAY 30

(337-28)

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Quite Cold and wintry to day. and the frost last night has very much hardened up the ground there were quite a number of snow showers through the day. which has made the ground somewhat white with a thin covering of snow. after getting the chores done up this morning, Colin and I were repairing ready to go to the stones again. Richard Symonds Son, Edward, came along and wished me to join his father at the bush where he and his Uncle James were wishing to run the line between our lands we measured so many lengths of a rope they had, on the upper line from the stone, and the same from the lower stone, and then measured ^{the} parallel lines, thus making a base line out in Reddicks field for ranging the line between us. in the afternoon we got John's help. we expected to get out to the corner stone at the 3 corners of ours and Maitens and Symonds we did so, but were about 18 feet to much in on me. so the line is faulty after all. I was pleased it was that particular way however, as they had proof that I kept on my own ground in the chopping. the lines starting the clearing very closely the most of the way. Colin worked away among the stones alone all day.

December

TUESDAY 1

(338-27)

A very cold, frosty and comfortless day. A sprinkling of snow has fallen but it has been too cold for snow much. I was doing up some chores this morning when Richard Symonds came along again wishing me to go with him and see if we could do anything more about the line. I went with him and we spent the time up to the dinner hour again, we measured it across the clearing 33 rods and 5 1/2 feet to where we cut the line at the Swamp, and found it to reach about 10 feet further into the Swamp than the line we ran. we commenced at a point about 30 rods from the corner of our line fence between Justin and us. and sighted from the north end of Justin's Barn. I think the range would be pretty nearly correct. Colin did up some chores but we did not attempt to go at any particular work. it was so very cold. we took out the debris from the cattle stable and Colin put the 11 pigs into the pig pen at the pig house. also brought the geese home and put them into the box stall. I got the money this evening by mail. paid Colin \$100. he is now paid for his seven months work \$105.00. and I suppose has overstepped the half month by a day or two. we are told this evening that John Martin and Maggie Allen are to be married tomorrow at Toronto.

got a letter from Holyoke this eve. saying what Mother intended for home some day this week.

Settlement with Colin

Another Cold day although hardly so bitter as yesterday. Colin went to Guelph to day and I have had all to do. I have also done up some Chores. Among them, put in another pane of glass in the old Sack and placed it in position in the horse stall. we have the geese shut in there now and I otherwise closed it round. I also spread the sand in the cattle stable and fixed up some other things around.

I hitched up Fred to the buggy and drove over to Osprey to see a pair of Bob-sleighs that James Hill partly owns and which he called yesterday to tell me he would like to sell to me. I think that, although they look like good sleighs, I can better myself by dealing with Penfolds in Guelph. They offer to build me a pair for \$22.⁰⁰ and ^{soft} ~~the~~ wood at \$2.²⁵ a cord, if it suits me to do so, or money if I choose. While Hill wants \$25.⁰⁰ for his.

Continues Cold and the ground is very hard with the late heavy frosts. I have been choring around again. There are a great many things going wrong around the place and I am spending my time fixing them up. Colin fixed up the wood rack and I also helped him to get ready a load of wood to take down to Mrs. Pike. He was rather late in getting away but he delivered it all right. I did up all the Chores and drove down to Everton for the mail, we expected to have word from Holman telling when Mother would start for home, but there was no letter.

I sold the 3 lambs to Geo. Conaghan for \$10.²⁵ he paid me \$4.⁰⁰ on them.

Slight flurries of snow, but nothing to make sleighing, it is also milder than what has lately prevailed for some time. I was churning round this forenoon, fixing up the broken barn doors and other work around. Colin got another load of the wood ready before dinner and started off with it about an hour earlier than with yesterday's load. Somewhere between 1 & 2 o'clock I think. I had to hurry up with some of my fixings and get all the feeding and stending stock wound done, and then drove to Edveston to get the mail, received a letter from Alex. Holyoke saying his mother was to start for home to day, and to meet her in Guelph tomorrow at the noon train. he did not know that train has been cancelled. I fear she will not reach Guelph sooner than by the 8.30 P. M. train. Colin drove Maggie to Edveston this evening to practise sleighing for a coming entertainment. David Robertson's baby seems a little better this evening.

Turned quite soft and damp, all forenoon there was a slight rainfall which made it disagreeable to be out in it. I borrowed Henry Duffield's democrat and took over to Geo. Coughlan's the 3 lambs he bought of me. it was a little late dinner time when I returned. I then had dinner and put off for Guelph with Fred & Maggie to meet Margaret, when hearing that she had reached Guelph about 2 o'clock on the mixed train. She was with John & Maggie near Guelph and she got in with me. John bringing on the trunk. we went back to Willis where his mother washed up and we had supper and then started for home, getting here about 9 o'clock. The Neffs and McWilliams were here to welcome her. I did some business in Guelph looking after bobalips at Penfolds and some shopping. Mother has much to tell about Holyoke and the Boys. Alex. seems to have a good business, and Ewart seems to be kept pretty busy as well as Alex. they have an apprentice also. Alex. and Annie came to Springfield and saw Mother off last night at 6 o'clock.

delivered 3 lambs to Geo. Coughlan this forenoon didn't get the balance of their price \$6.25 drove to Guelph and met Mother she arrived there about 2 P. M.

Sunday 6th

Continues soft. a little rain has been falling times. Colin and Maggie went to Edveston this A. M. also in the evening. Mary came up with them to see her Mother. Mrs. Webb and Ada came up to see Margaret and had a nice visit.

Very moderate weather, no snow. I have got somewhat afraid ^{that} we might not have much sleighing and have started Colin at the drawing of the wood to help with the Wagon. it is not as handy to draw it that way as on the sleigh when there is good sleighing, but when it gets late in the season before the snow falls there is too short a time to do much teaming.

Colin did very well to day with his load. we thought there was a little more than a cord and he got three dollars for it. he pays 5¢ charcoal fees, and pays 25¢ for his dinner at Singulas and free stable. taking his own feed for the horses.

Colin did not take a load of wood to day, which has been recorded by mistake.

I have done all the chores myself to day and did some other fixing round which has kept me quite busy. Willie drove from Lodge for a days hunt bringing with him Mr. Wideman, Ges. Lindal and another young man. they only met moderate success. Willie was very unfortunate, he fell across a log on his back, hurting himself badly, being partly unconscious for a length of time, on struggling to right himself he moved his gun while the muzzle was pointed towards him and one of the barrels discharged the load close to his head, a close call. He thinks he has had enough of hunting for awhile.

TUESDAY 8

(345-20)

Weather continues much the same. no snow yet, but the wheeling is very fair.

Colin took another load of wood to Guelph to day. and got along very well he was paid the same to day as yesterday three dollars for his load and something about the same quantity, a little over a cord. he got home a little before dark and he put on the load again ready for starting in the morning. John McKenzie drove up to day and brought Bella and the children to visit for a couple of weeks or so.

Quite a little fall of snow last night, perhaps 4 or 5 inches, as the ground was a little soft before it fell it does not make slipping. Colin took his load to Guelph to day again and got the same money, three dollars, for it. He says the roads were a little heavier in the morning going in, but the snow is pretty much gone again to night. he was home in fair time and put on his load again. I hitched up Fred to the Cutter this afternoon and Bella & her mother and I drove over to Colton, it is the first time we have been there since the trouble fell upon them. I feel extremely sorry for Thomas and Alice especially. poor Bessie is to be pitied, but being the offender the same sympathy is not always extended. Mr & Mrs Edward Colton were also there. poor Bessie asked us in to the room, and requested her Uncle Edward to read a passage in the Bible for her, the 5th Psalm, which he did, also 72nd poor Bessie seems to feel her position keenly. the baby seems a fine child.

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Mild weather again, and the snow is about all gone. mud in many places is taking its place. Colin took a load of wood to Guelph to day. he had about the same as the rest of, but got some more for it. \$3.40. he sold to John Royce. he was very late in returning home, being unfortunate in having one of the lines burst at Guelph. he had to get that line set at McConnell costing 50^{cts} he paid me \$10.³⁵ getting the money from Mr Peavy \$1.50. Mrs. Coughlin \$6.25. and the load of wood \$3.40. total = \$11.15. market fee 5^{cts} dinner 25^{cts} tire 50^{cts} = 80^{cts} off. leaving \$10.³⁵.

Maggie and Bella have been away to day. Bella paying a visit with the children to Usherwoods. Maggie collecting for Bible Society along with Ruth McMillians. I walked down with John Webb and had a chocor with the battery. my right arm and shoulder are pained now very badly with rheumatism.

A very fine day, mild and pleasant, not at all like winter weather. Colin went to Jesting Sawing of wood with the Circular to day. Johnny had to attend a threshing at John Murrie's to day and Colin went to Jesting for him.

I have not done much more than attend the Chores to day. my Shoulder is very painful.

Maggie and Bella have been visiting at Duffields to day. the children have enjoyed themselves with their grandmother finely.

Mrs David Stewart drove along in her buggie this afternoon. she is staying all night. she has been further up the Country among friends and now on her way home again.

Colin seems to think the roads so rough when near Huelph as to make it unsafe to drive the wood over them, the waggons have been cutting into them rather badly since the soft weather set in.

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Slight frost last night but, its effects were very soon dissipated by the warm and clear Sunshine which prevailed after sunrise. The day was beautiful throughout, but the ground became very Cloddy. Mr Stewart remained with us till dinner time, after which she started off home again with her little horse in the buggie. I have been half Coling my shoes and attending to the Chores. Colin took six bags of grain to Chop and got a new front bolster made for the wagon by Robertson, in Everton. paid 30/- for Chop, and 60/- for bolster and fixing draw bolt for wagon, which, I think, is a very moderate charge. Maggie and Bella & children drove to Everton this afternoon. Jesting Sawing with the Circular was continued this forenoon. Johnny attended it himself: he had Loui Martin on this afternoon fixing up his Cistern. it was leaking. the walls were cracked in places and they broke up those parts.

Beautiful
weather.
too fine
for this
time of
the year.

Shoe mending
Colin took
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bolster of wagon
renewed.
all done

Sunday 13.

Quite soft and mild all day. a little cooler in the evening with slight showers of snow falling. Bella & Maggie went with Colin to meeting this forenoon. Maggie remained in Everton and Colin drove down for her at night. I have written a letter to Brother Alex. Meaford. and besides doing Chores, did some more cooking, and reading also.

Froze up again last night and the ground is hard and quite dry. The air has been quite frosty and the wind piercing. I helped John to clean out his cistern this forenoon, also awhile afternoon. Loui Martinoni plastered it over the second time this morning and I held the light for him. Colin loaded up the waggon with a load of wood to be taken to Guelph tomorrow. We cut down a doorway into the horse stable and into a stall further into the stable from the house side. So as to be opposite the door leading into the Barn, which was changed through making the granary larger. John helped us awhile at it, and Colin also while we were working at it. Our women folks have been visiting at Webb's this afternoon. Colin and I walked down there after tea. Colin taking Maggie down to Everton, so as to be present at their musical rehearsals in preparation for their concert.

John fixing up his cistern.
Colin loading up his load of wood for Guelph tomorrow.
Our women visiting at Webb's today.
Maggie at Everton practicing singing.

Hard frost last night and the ground to day is like iron. I hurried up with my Chores this morning and got through with the feeding about 9.30. I then made ready my papers &c. and drove over to Guelph to the Council meeting, getting there about 10.30. The Council attended shortly after to my business of the Board of Health. And paid me over the expenses in connection with it. I gave Mrs Argo \$6.00 to take to Mr Auld. paid John Rea \$2.00. Hugh Black \$5.00. Matthias McEamus \$2.00. in all \$15.00. Dr Dryden has to get \$11.30, and Mr Dyer of Rockwood \$2.50. and myself \$5.00. making in all \$33.80. I intended going to James Hyndman's Auction sale this afternoon but, I found that before the Chores were done and some other things, that it was too late to go. John Campbell came as I had just eat dinner for the Sugar Kettle, and brought, also 60 lbs salt that we had borrowed of John Webb. Colin drove a load of wood into Guelph, he started before daylight about 6.30. The roads are very rough and very hard, he only got \$2.75. to day for his load, he thinks it was rather a small load.

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Went to the Council meeting and gave in my report of the Board of Health.
paid 60 lbs salt to John Webb.

A beautiful day. Clear Sunshine and very pleasant. The air has been cool and the wind cold in the shade, but the sun was warm enough to melt the hard frozen lumps. Colin took in a load of wood to day. He says the roads are getting smoother. He was off this morning before daylight, he got three dollars to day for his load. Yesterday was the only day that he took less than the 3 dollars. Alex. McKinnon's son is also driving to Guelph every day with wood. Colin met on the town line both yesterday and to day. Johnny helped me to hang the door on the granary in the passage, also the door leading into the stable. I was with him while helping him wash the walls of the cistern. Lizzie was helping. I fixed up the gate leading over to John's, it kept me busy doing up the chores and doing up these other things.

Bella and her mother and the children visited at Rich McKilliams this afternoon. I went down after tea and spent awhile in the evening. John and Mrs Webb were also there. We had some music. Ruth and Bella were both playing.

Johnny helped me to hang doors in horse passage one for granary and the house stable fixing his cistern Colin took a load of wood to Guelph got three dollars for it.

Another very fine day. a little cool but very pleasant. The sun is just warm enough to melt the ground slightly, and the roads are getting smooth thereby. Colin took another load of wood to Guelph to day, and made three dollars, he had his dinner at Millie's, he paid me \$5.00 for yesterday's load and to day's, he paid 10¢ for a bolt for the reacher and 5¢ for something else. 30¢ for dinner yesterday.

I took the cow to Barbers again to day and left her. I hurried back from there and watered and cleaned out the cattle, Maggie helped me feed up. I hitched up the house and buggy and attended John Currie's Sale, Maggie & Bella rode down to the Guelph road with me, they visited at Robertsons and I called for them when coming home. Uncle Duncan is feeble and complaining. I bought 2 pair of Ewes at Currie's Sale. 1 pair \$7.00 each, the other pair \$6.75 each = \$27.50 in all. They seem like good sheep. I saw John McKenzie there and invited him up to his Christmas dinner.

A very windy and rather stormy day. rather cold also. Snow has fallen betimes as if a snow storm was imminent but they cleared off again and the cold increased.

I borrowed Henry Duffield's Democrat and drove back and, drove down to Currie's this morning for the sheep I purchased yesterday at the sale. There were quite a number of purchasers there getting their purchases into their own possession and marking them with their brands. I was fortunate in finding volunteers to lift my sheep to Rockwood into the rig and I soon drove home with them.

After dinner, I hitched up Fred to the buggy and drove down to Rockwood, taking the Box to Express to Collingwood to Mr. Lynn's friend. I paid \$11.30 to Dr. Livingstone for Dr. Dryden, his year's remuneration for working as Medical Health Officer. I also paid Mr. Pike forty dollars and redeemed my note which was given for the amount for the horse "Doctor" or "Doc" as we call him. Henry Duffield rode down with me. we were soon on our way home again, as we had all our respective chores to do. Colin has been away to day at a "Bee", Cutting stone wood for the Church at John Blacks. Our "Forester Cow" has clipped her calf to day. it is a pity.

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paid \$40.00 to Mr. Pike and retired my note for \$40.00. wood cutting Bee Colin at it. John Blacks paid Dr. Livingstone for Dr. Dryden as Medical Health Officer \$11.30. Forester Cow Clipped calf.

Colder to day. The little snow on the ground from yesterday showers makes it wintry looking. although there is very little it has made the roads slippery for the horses. Colin was to Quelpk to day with a load of wood for Millie. he says the horses slipped considerably. Bella and Maggie drove to Quelpk with Fred and buggy. They were chopping. Maggie got a new hat which fails in giving satisfaction. I have spent the most of the time doing the chores. doing some extra clearing out of pigs &c. I also went down to Webb's and brought home our two ewes.

The travellers did not arrive home till somewhat late. darkness had set in.

Colin took a load of wood to Millie to day. Bella and Maggie also drove to Quelpk.

Sunday 20

Cold to day. but not excessive. Snow flakes flying, but of no consequence. Bella & the children drove to Everton this morning with Maggie when she went to meeting. Bella remained in Everton and Janet Abbott rode back with Maggie. going back with Colin and her in the evening.

Snow is falling to day, somewhat Constant but not heavy. The ground is hard, but very dry, and it would take considerable depth of snow to make good slipping. Colin went to Mr. Jabbotts this afternoon with the team to get them sharp shod. he found it was with great difficulty they travelled on the road on Saturday. They got 5 new shoes on. I repaired a buggy this forenoon and worked at the Chores. Colin loaded up his load for Guelph tomorrow. I rode over with Joseph Croft to the Nomination of County Councillors at Ospringe. There was quite a gathering, Hugh Black was nominating officer and held the thing open from 1 till 2 o'clock P. M. for nominations. There was quite a batch of names. John Rea, Joseph Fletcher, John McBride, Erasmus Lang, Walker, Duff, Dunbar, ~~Rea~~ ^{Rea} Wood. Sir, all retired but Rea, Fletcher, Lang, Walker & Duff. This is the first of the new law governing County Councils, and its working will, no doubt, be watched with considerable interest.

I paid Rich^d McWilliams two dollars to day
half money, did not pay for the young roan
Cow as we are not sure that she is in calf.

The little
fall of snow
makes it
slippy for
the horses.
and Colin
took them
to Willie
Abbott
and had
them shod
all round
5 new
to shoes -
and 3
reset.

I went over
to Ospringe
with Joseph
Crost to the
Nominations

paid two
dollars -
(\$2.00) to
Rick McMillan

TUESDAY 22

(359-6)

At Winter days, although not very cold. Considerable snow has fallen and the wind has been high and drifting the snow into inconvenient piles in places. I have had a job moving some of the turnips in the root house. They have become too hot in the middle of the house and for some days have been smothering ominously. I found some rotting and they are altogether too hot in the middle of the pile at the middle window. I have had a busy day doing up the spores and mousing the turnips. Mother has been sewing up the rips in the robe to day we have got cloth to line it anew. Colin took in a load of wood to help to day. he got three dollars for it. he says the roads are good and smooth now.

Some little
snow drift
ing,
I have been
moving -
Some of the
turnips in
the root house
they are too
mellow and
show signs
of rotting.

Margaret
has been —
sewing up
the robe.

A cold frosty day. but sunshine and pleasant. Colin drove in a load of wood to Guelph. he has risen these few days back alone and taken his breakfast without disturbing anyone. he got \$3.²⁵ for his load to day. and was home in good time. he put on his load for tomorrow and got ready the sleighs and we all rode down to Everton to the S.S. Social. there was a large gathering of people. the house being very well filled. the money taken at the doors must have footed up to a good sum. 15⁰⁰ being the Charge.

The music was very good. Jamie Abbott plays for the Choir, and some of the younger singers. Miss Bethman sang a solo, another young woman playing for her. Miss Weatherston gave a couple of her readings. Sanders McLaughlin, and the boy for the Rabbit. Geo. Loeve acted "Santa Clause" very well at the closing scene, and the "entertainment" came to an end about 11 o'clock. altogether it was a very enjoyable and good entertainment. we had the sleighs but the snow was so thin that we could have wished to have had the wheels. I killed a Gopher to day. for our Christmas dinner. the Abbotts are asked along with our own folks. Hannah Steven's baby was buried this afternoon. being alone and so far away I could not attend.

THURSDAY $\equiv$ 24 (361-4)

Killed Gopher
weighing -
16 lbs.

Another very cold day. the frost was very sharp and keen last night. Colin was up and away early this morning. taking his breakfast all alone. he returned home shortly after four o'clock. he sold his load again to day for \$3.²⁵. A man that he partly sold to yesterday held to his bargain. and Colin had the three dollars clear to day. as he had no market for it. I have been churning and fixing up - come to day in addition to the usual work. the frost has reached the stables a little. which shows the cold is severe. The window of the turnip house has been out this day or two. on account of the heat of the turnips. but I put it in to day. Johnny has been saving with the drag saw these 2 days back at Sam Allen's.

Rather a cold day for comfortable getting round, otherwise pleasant however. Sunshine and dry footing. The wind has been somewhat strong and westerly, making it cold travelling towards the west. We have had all the family available here to their Christmas dinner, Alex and Ewart being the only absentees. We also had the two Abbott women and the young folks. Jamie gave us some very nice music. John McKenzie came up also and took Bella and the little ones home. Willie came out from Guelph after dinner was over. He had his dinner by himself. Maggie accompanied him to Guelph in the evening. They will have a cold drive. I drove Fred and the buggy to Everton in the evening, taking with me Jack Abbott & Nettie. Jamie & his mother went with Willie & Maggie to the Corner. Eddie went with Geo. Love & Mary who left early to take supper at the Lores. Sent her had a very pleasant time with all the friends. I drove down with the democrat in the morning for them. I paid Mr. Hoskins, blacksmith, \$1.25. full of all demands to date. Colin has been at home all day. loaded up his wood for tomorrow.

SATURDAY # 26

(363-2)

Another cold day. I have been very busy at some other chores than the ordinary work which forces me to work round pretty lively. Johnny & Lizzie went to Guelph to day with the democrat. He had 8 bags apples, got 30 cts per bag. 35 lbs or so of butter, 16 lbs.

Colin took a load of wood and found ready sale at \$3.50, the highest price for a load, as yet obtained. He got home in time to load up again. Maggie returned with Johnny and was a little on the late side. I was sorry Johnny did not leave word how and what to feed his cattle at noon.

Maggie was not pleased with a hat she bought at Williamsons and she got another instead to day. Jennie was with her making the change.

Sunday 27

Continues cold but pleasant, the cold increased towards evening. Maggie and Colin have gone twice to Everton meeting to day. They tell us that Edward Cotton took his formal leave of the Church to day. We understood he has had it long in contemplation. Margaret & I paid Webb's a visit this evening.

Very misty this morning, and raw, and cold. It became a little warmer as the day wore on, and signs of thawing set in, although it softened up but very little. Colin set off to Guelph in good time this morning, and he returned home in time to get on his load ready for Guelph again. He got \$3.²⁵ for his load to day. I have been busy to day as, besides doing my own work, I helped Johnny to clean up a quist of wheat & bags, and bagged up some mixed grain for chopping. I also went to Standish's with the buggy and bought a Gobbler. It weighed alive about 20 lbs. They are selling them for 8^{cts} per lb. dressed, and they deducted 2 lbs off. I paid them \$1.⁴⁵. They only wanted \$1.⁴⁰ but I made them take the other. He is a fine Bird. They were kind enough to send over and let us know they were going to kill them to day, and I had been asking them to keep one for us. Margaret and I drove down to Robert Mortons this evening. Mrs Morton is quite sick, her brother died last week and she is the worse of being over there, as she was unwell before going.

Misty inclined to thaw
Colin to Guelph with a load of wood got \$3.²⁵
bought a Turkey at Standish paid \$1.⁴⁵
Mrs Morton Sick, we drove down to see them
helped Johnny to clean a quist of wheat

Tuesday 29

Softer to day. There has been no sun since all day. and it has been misty and damp. Threatning rain, but it held up well.

Colin took a load of wood again to day, and he met pretty ready sale at \$3.³⁰. he was home in good time to get his load on again. I got my feeding, and all stables cleaned out early. So as to help Johnny to cut straw, he did not cut however, and I got the more time to do other things. I also helped Johnny to place his horse power on the gangway for cutting tomorrow. I was fixing the patches on the stable door, and put up 8 bags of mixed grain for chopping tomorrow.

Margaret got a hen turkey from Mrs Hindley to day, for which she is to give one of hers. Alice Webb drove her up there this afternoon.

Softer to day.
Colin took a load of wood to Guelph got \$3.³⁰
Margaret got a hen turkey from Mrs Hindley to day.
bagged up 8 bags mixed grain to chop to morrow

Wednesday 30

1896

Soft again to day. Colin was up early this morning and away with his load before day light. I saw him off with the light. I hurried up with the feeding and cleaned out the stables before going to the mill with the chop. just as I reached the corner the stage moved off for Guelph. Mr Hortop was taking a ride on it on his way to the school house. I should have been on hand there too with him, as Dan Talbot and I had to audit the books, but I went on to the mill with the 6 bags of chop and was early enough, after all. At the school house I paid Hortop's account \$4.65 and the chop 30¢ making \$4.95 in all to Willie Hortop, his father intended riding home with me, but was delayed at the school house. I had John's horse and democrat with the chop and had to hurry home to cut straw for him this P.M. James Morton helped us with their team. The machine did not go well for a time, we found it go better by not cutting the corn at the same time with the straw. It seemed to wet the rollers and made it clog. Colin met a dollar at John's sale to day. \$2.75 for the road. He & Maggie attended the Ospringe V. S. Social this evening.

attended school meeting to day. settled Hortop's accounts took a quart of 6 bags to the mill. mailed 2 dollars to Meaford and two dollars to Erin in payment of Mrs McKim's and my own accounts A. D. W. Co. cutting straw

Thursday 31.

Froze up a little last night and there has been drier footing around to day. Colin did not go to Guelph to day, but instead, took a load of wood to Mrs Pike, Rockwood, he started off with it after dinner. he had a cord and four eighths, I have her all paid up now, and she owes me a dollar. The 8th of a cord I will let go to make the rest good measure. and the blanket represents one dollar. So there is another dollar to me. I have been doing some tinkering around which has kept me busy as it has been in addition to my ordinary work. Dan Tolton called to night, they wish help to thresh tomorrow. John Webb visited us this evening.

Wednesday 6

Continues frosty and the ground remains hard and dry. John took a load of apples to Guelph to day. He got 25¢ per bag. I fed this Cattle at noon. Geo. Abbott came to him the other day to go to School and work nights & mornings for his board. I was driving over with Margaret to Toltown and was met by Ella McDougall on her way over for her, the baby is very low. The doctor thinks it can't live long. He called here as he passed, to look at my face the troublesome little growth below my left eye, gives me some annoyance, but he thinks it some wart or other simple thing. Colin is not yet very well. I drove over to Toltown this evening ^{Margaret & child}.

Thursday 7

A little snow fell last night, but nothing of any consequence. Dan came over telling us the baby died last night and was to be buried this afternoon. I went over at 2 o'clock, and they did not leave till 3. Mr. Bates was there and had a little service, there were a few there, just took the little corpse, and Thomas rode with me. They buried on the front of the monument, South east side. Along side Harold John Smallhorn has a tree to day cutting up the willow ~~thicket~~ & trees in front of Rick's McWilliam's orchard. They are a rough concern to cut up, but, I suppose it will make not so bad summer wood. I helped awhile in the morning but - Colin helped all day.

Friday 8

Moderate weather, not very cold and not any snow yet, so far, this is a very snowless season, and the late soft weather made the roads very rough after freezing up again. They are improving however.

I drove over to Joseph Reads and bargained for 40 bushels barley at 25¢ per bushel, and spoke of going over tomorrow for it. I found however that we could not conveniently go so I ran over again in the evening to tell him so. we bagged up 9 bags snow apples to take to Guelph tomorrow, also killed 2 geese.

Saturday 9

Very misty this morning and the most of the forenoon, and raw and chilly. Margaret & I were off to Guelph at 11:00 this morning, with the big team, getting in in about the next 2 hours. I had the front wheel of the buggy fixed, a half rim, 3 spokes and tire set \$1.45. ^{10¢} 9 bags apples (snow) @ 30¢ and 3 @ 25¢ \$2.55. 2 geese \$1.19. Butter 11 lbs. 4 lbs @ 16¢ the rest @ 15¢ = \$1.69. bought 2 out of date Diaries. 40¢ at Days. 2 shirts for me (under ^{shirts}) \$1.00. and other Sundries, we were at Willis for dinner and fed the horses there. Colin did the chores at home and helped John cut straw afternoon.

October

Friday 23

1914

Date.

CASH ACCOUNT February.

Received

Paid.

a very fine day, cool in morning but the sun shone out strong and warm as the day advanced. I rode to Luelph with Ewart with a load of potatoes he had 26 bags and realized about \$14.00 for them, we peddled them, chiefly ~~and~~ St. Patricks were among the takers, we had trouble about the pumps fixing, Mt. Field in the hospital from an injury by falling off a windmill 20 feet, made arrangements to go in on Monday to see about a second hand pump from Herman Jewells. Land lags.

Charles M. Rab funeral to day, would like to have been present had to go to Luelph to day with Ewart with the potatoes

Saturday 24

Rain on this morning but did not last very long the weather was not very pleasant throughout the day, being tired from yesterday's run to Luelph, I did not take in hand any work of importance, James Duffield's boy (young Clark) brought along our barrel of Spy apples.

James Duffield sent along a barrel of Spy apples

Sunday 25

Cool, but pleasant weather, I kept the house the greater part of the day reading &c, Enett came to S. S. and left for home in good time, there had been a good attendance at church and Sunday school. I went in the evening to church, and heard a good practical discourse on the teaching and character of Jesus Christ, and the effect it should have on his followers.

at Church this evening and heard a very practical sermon by Mr. Sharp. on Christian Character.

Monday 26

Cold and unpleasant early morning, but cleared up fine as the day advanced, I gathered the potato tops to a heap for burning, but could not burn them as snow clouds passed over, leaving considerable snow on the ground, this is the first snow of the season here, Ewart drove to Luelph to day and got the pump at Herman Jewells.

I gave a check for 5 dollars to G. A. Marshall and he cashed it

Ewart drove to Luelph for pump, paid 4 dollars for it, and \$1.25 for new plunger

Tuesday 27

Very cold turn of the weather, we put our beets & carrots into the cellar this forenoon, we pulled them up last night and put them in the stable, after that, I pulled the Cabbage up and brought them in, Ewart brought the pump down to get a band on cylinder, I gave him 5 dollars for pay on pump, the pump was 4 dollars, and the plunger of barn pump was \$1.25 we have the garden cleared of crop except the strawberries, by the papers we learn the Germans are losing ground and much loss of life D. L. Schultz is arrested as a spy.

housing the garden track -

paid Ewart for pump.

Wednesday 28

Continues cold, but kept dry, I took the chance of a ride up to Ewart's before dinner and helped him to take in his turnips, we picked and hauled in 5 loads, Ewart had all the patch topped, and he grubbed 2 rows into one and afterwards ran the old iron harrows through them to share the soil off them, they are a fine crop and very clean, if they hold out as well as they have begun they will likely be about 25 loads altogether in acre & half Bertie helped to load them and, with me, to unload. I gave Ewart 2 dollars, to pay J. Duffield \$1.50 for the apples, and 50¢ to himself for pump expenses. I am staying overnight to help again tomorrow

Chanced it up to Ewart and helped him with his turnips.

paid for Spy apples to J. Duffield also finished pump expenses staying over night with Ewart to help tomorrow

Oct. & November

Thursday 29

1914

Date

CASH ACCOUNT March.

Received

Paid.

Rain on this morning, and continued, less or more, all day, of course, we gave ^{up} any idea of working at the turnips, and Ewart drove me down home this morning in time to bring the boys to school, snow cloud dropped some snow which soon melted, fixed Gertie's shoes some

Rain which stopped the turnip work

Friday 30

Weather still unsettled, and no good for working at turnips, think it will likely dry up again soon, the war news is yet very terrible, the poor fellows who fight the battles have a awful time of it, their suffering must be intense, hand to hand and bayonet charge is a frequent

letter from brother James they are in their usual health awful war news, terrible suffering and carnage.

Saturday 31

Weather settled, heavy frost last night, and the land this forenoon was very muddy, and I concluded that Ewart would not go at his turnips, and so did not go up, I was mistaken however, as Ewart & Gertie with the boys were down this evening and tell us they took up and in 10 loads this afternoon, and they were in good condition, they used the 2 wagons, and Ewart unloaded while Gertie and the boys loaded in the field, Errett drawing them up, we heard this evening that Donald Robertson is ill seriously, Pneumonia has set in.

better weather Ewart took in 10 loads turnips this P.M. Boys helping Donald Robertson taken ill, think Pneumonia

Nov. 1

Sunday, November 1

Fair weather again, have kept pretty close to the today, Maggie went to S.S. this morning and I did not see her again till late bed time, she went over to McKenzies from church the war news looks serious, Turkey is now into the prey, I have read this afternoon the greater part of Isaiah's prophecies, especially from about the 42nd Chap. to the end of his prophecies, he presents a graphic picture of the latter days.

Weather settled kept the house pretty close, reading Isaiah's prophecies

Monday 2.

Rained a little this morning, but it soon fired up again, and although a little dull, it remained dry all day. Expected to help Ewart to finish up his turnip housing to day but he did not send the buggy down, as I requested, and I did not walk up further than the corner to see, likely they have taken them in to day, reports of terrible slaughter at that cruel war.

I hear Jas. Black and John A. Reives are up for Reeviship. Mr. Clark here at tea this evening, terrible accounts about the war.

Tuesday 3

Rained again this morning, but soon cleared up again, I have not heard how Ewart got along with his turnips, but it is likely he would get the most of them housed yesterday, no doubt, he will be able to make a clean finish of them to day some time.

Ewart finish his turnip housing.

Wednesday 4

Pleasant weather, although rather cold for comfort, some clouds have passed over which drop a little rain but nothing to speak of, Donald Robertson is getting nicely better I hear, by this evening papers we read the fortunes of war this week are rather against the Allies, the British have lost 2 Cruisers down by South America, they were not aware that any large German war ships were hovering round in that direction, so were unprepared to meet them, the Allies on the old battle front however have been holding their own and a little more, there was a terrible onslaught last Tuesday, but the Allies came out best.

Donald Robertson on the mend.

war news not so good for Allies, lost 2 Cruisers

Allies on the land holding their own

The village of Everton, like many another village in the country obtained its name in commemoration of a family of the name of Everts, who first settled on its site, and who, in the early 40's became aware of the great value of its water privilege which obtained on a part of Lot 10. Con. 7 of the Township of ~~Erasmus~~ ^{Erasmus} earlier than about 1830. 51. The history of the village is pretty much a sealed book. Seeing that all the members of the family have now passed off excepting Mr. Everts, a grandson of the original proprietor, and he being comparatively ^a young ^{man} yet could not be expected to be cognizant of the changes as they took place from the earlier periods - The writer of this sketch having moved at the above date into the neighborhood of the village, and personally acquainted with all the members of the Evert family up to the time of their passing away, is likely to know as much of its history as could otherwise be obtained. The original Evert estate consisted of 400 acres. Lots 9 & 10. ^{con. 6 & 7} Lot 9 comprising 200 acres, of very fine farming land, making 2 farms of 100 acres each and have been occupied by 2 of the ^{younger} sons of the original proprietor, one of whom now only survives. Lot 10. Con. 6 & 7 consists of a very rocky and ^{RECEIVABLE} swampy region through which a branch of the Grand River winds its way among the rocks on its way through hardwood and beyond. This portion of the property fell into the hands of Rufus, the oldest son of the original proprietor, who built a saw mill and also the frame of the present grist & flour mill upon the site of the water power which now obtains. The heavy frame of the grist & flour mill stood uncompleted for a length of time, because, it was said Mr. R. Everts did not feel able to go on with it to a finish, but eventually Messrs William & Simon Beeves saw it to their advantage to complete the building and put in all the machinery required for the consideration of the use of the property for a term of years. This was mutually agreed and acted upon, after ^{the expiration} ^{of the term} which it fell once more into the possession of Rufus, who ran it a number of years, but finally sold out to the present proprietor. Mr. Henry Hootch. who also in turn gave its management to his eldest son William, who now runs the business very successfully. The firm also at large expense made great improvements to the property, in enlarging the dam, setting up a set of rolls in flour mill, up to date chopper, Rake saw and shingle mill &c. which has proved a great boon to all the district around

The main Street of the village is situated to the north of

Date. the valley where **BILLS PAYABLE—May.** the river and \$ the mills
are located, and is reached from below by a good road
cut out of the rocks to the table land ~~above~~ and Street
above, where about 50 years or so ago Mr. Peter Stewart
employed a surveyor to survey and locate that northern
part of the village. The southern end is not so extensive
but the road is good and leads to a fine country to the
south & east, where beautiful farms abound on every
hand. The northern part, which consists of ~~the~~
since piece of Stewarts Survey, extends to within 1/2 a
upland one mile or less, of the County gravel road leading from Guelph
to Erin village. The cemetery lying about half way between the
outskirts of the village and the county gravel road where
the early pioneers, for the most part, are laid in their
last resting place. Upon this northwestern part of the village
Mr. Peter Stewart built the large and commodious stone store
now owned and occupied by Mr. G. A. Marshall, general merch-
ant and agent, whose store is reputed to be one of the best
in the district & country, and whose business ramifications
demands much of the time & attention of the proprietor.

the Congregation of the denomination of the Disciples of Christ
who met in various **RECEIVABLE.** places in the township many
years ago, at last conceived the idea of amalgamating and
in the year 1861 had the present large edifice erected
for their use, and where up to the present time they
have regularly continued to meet for worship. Subse-
quently the Methodist denomination also followed suit &
erected the very nice and suitable white brick Chapel
for their special use, which they have continued to occupy
and regularly have meetings ever since. The presbytery
also, in the past, had their meeting house, but it has
long been discarded, on account of the newer and
larger building at Aspring's taking its place, and where
their regular ministers presides every Sunday.

Some of the usual industries in ~~the~~ in the long
past years of the village have ceased to operate, greatly
on account of their work being monopolized by large
outside factories, such as wagon & carriage building which
was carried by Mr. Robert Copeland, in conjunction
with Mr. H. C. Torrance. The Blacksmith, flour-milling also
in the smaller mill being much in request. It was
found necessary to have the barrels readily at hand
and a coöperation of considerable dimensions was

Date.

BILLS PAYABLE—June.

\$ c.

in operation for years in the village, under the
 Management of the Gooding family
 and later on by some others, the shoe making
 and repairing interest was, for many years, attended
 to by a number of the Craft who found it to their
 interest to be stationed in Everton, but who eventually
 gave up the business, framing and house carpenter-
 ing was also very well represented by members
 of the families of the Mitchells, Abbotts, Jostins &c.,
 but ^{most} all, in their turn, ceased to operate. The blacksmith-
 ing business has never lacked a representative during
 all the years, and is now cared for in the village by
 Mr. George Robertson, who is always on hand to do his
 best to please his customers with a ready and willing
 hand. The Public for a long time in the early days, had
 to put up with a very inefficient and unsatisfactory
 postal service, ^{the mails} carried principally over the rough roads
 once a week on horse back. Soon however, a ^{and by weekly} weekly mail was established, to be superseded
 by the Daily Auto car **RECEIVABLE.** which is comfortably covered
 to carry passengers & parcels, and runs daily (except Sunday)
 from Erin to Guelph & return, calling at Everton each time
 morning & night. Mr. James Nevill ^{of Erin} is the driver and
 manager of the car and its business, and any business
 entrusted to Mr. Nevill will be carefully and courtously
 attended to, as has been the daily experience.

Date.

BILLS PAYABLE—November.

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 17 - Johnny borrowed 5 bags oats
 18 " " 1 bag "
 22 " " " "
 26 " " " "
 28 " " " "
 2 " " " "

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The Village of Everton, situated about midway, between the
 City of Guelph and Erin Village, is one of the finest farming
 sections of the County of Wellington, is Southwesterly adjacent to the County
 and road which connects these two points. Its flour and grist
 mills, Saw log and Shingle mills occupy a central position in the
 valley and are snugly situated in a rocky valley, where a branch of
 the grand river provides the power for the mills, after doing so
 the river winds its way through among the highest precipitous
 rocks of Rockwood and beyond. The village, like many others in
 the country obtained its name in commemoration of the
 family bearing the name of Everets.

Date.

BILLS PAYABLE—December.

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Receipt, obtained from George Cutting, Senr., for lame horse
15 drops Balsam of Capewy taken in a spoonful of milk
without stirring.

RECEIVABLE.

according to receipts sent to Guelph by Colin McMillan
to D. L. Shultz for ferrisps. 1 load. March 17th 42.15 lbs @ 11^c
March 19th 2 loads. 43.10. @ 48.15. March 24th
25.25 @ 15^c at least Barrie offered that. (only allowed 12^c.)
Roxwood, Eramore
Everton, and Guelph

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COMMERCIAL LAW.

ONTARIO.

ARREST FOR DEBT, ABSCONDING DEBTORS—

When a creditor has a claim of \$100 or over, and can show to the satisfaction of the Judge that he has such claim and that there is reasonable and probable cause for believing that the debtor is about to leave the Province with intent to defraud his creditors, an order for arrest may be granted.

ASSIGNMENTS—Must be made to the Sheriff of the County where the debtor resides or carries on business, unless the majority of the creditors having claims of \$100 or over, consent to the appointment of some other person. The assignment must be filed within five days after execution, and notice inserted in the *Ontario Gazette* in the issue next after five days after execution; for default there is a penalty of \$25 per day.

BANKRUPTCY—There is no bankruptcy law in this Province, but a debtor may make an assignment for the benefit of creditors and ensure a rateable distribution of his assets, provided there are no execution creditors. Executions in the sheriff's hands prior to assignment are not affected by it. Assignment not under the Act does not require to be made to the sheriff.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE AND PROMISSORY NOTES—These are practically subject to the commercial law in respect of days of grace, notice and protest. Notes only bear interest from the date of maturity, and then at the legal rate, six per cent., unless the rate and time are expressly mentioned on the face. Loss of a bill or note does not prevent collection, but payee must be indemnified.

BILLS OF SALE AND CHATTEL MORTGAGES—Unless property changes possession instrument must be registered within five days in the office of the County Court Clerk, otherwise they are void as against creditors. There are special regulations regarding chattel mortgages and bills of sale in the territorial and provisional districts, both as to place of filing and time of filing. Chattel mortgages must be renewed yearly.

CONTRACTS—Contracts for sale of goods over \$40 require part performance or to be in writing, otherwise they are void. Contracts made on Sunday (with few exceptions), and contracts contrary to public policy or of an immoral character, are illegal.

COURTS, JURISDICTION OF—In money claims on contract the jurisdiction of the Division Court extends to \$200 in liquidated claims, i.e., those settled by acts of the parties, and \$100 in unliquidated claims, that of the County Courts to \$400 and \$200 respectively, and that of the High Court claims beyond these amounts.

COMMISSIONS—When a witness resides out of the Province an order may be made to take his evidence on commission.

EXECUTION—In the County Court and High Court execution may issue immediately upon entry of judgment, unless stayed by order of the Court or Judge. Writs of Execution must be renewed before the termination of a year from their date, and must be renewed each year following in like manner. Lands cannot be sold for one year from the time the writ is delivered to the sheriff, but debtors' lands are bound from date of delivery.

EXEMPTIONS—The exemptions from seizure under execution and distress are enumerated in the Revised Statutes, Chap. 64, and consist generally of:

- (1) Bed, bedding and bedsteads in ordinary use.
- (2) Necessary and ordinary wearing apparel.
- (3) One cooking stove with pipes, 1 heating stove with pipes, sewing machine, 30 vols. books, all spinning wheels and weaving looms, and a large number of articles of furniture, cooking utensils, etc., in all not to exceed the value of \$150.
- (4) All necessary fuel, meat, fish, flour and vegetables not more than sufficient for ordinary consumption of debtor and family for 30 days, and not exceeding in value the sum of \$40.
- (5) One cow, 6 sheep, 4 hogs and 12 hens, in all not to exceed the value of \$75; also food for them for thirty days.
- (6) Tools and implements of, or chattels ordinarily used in the debtor's occupation, to the value of \$100.
- (7) Bees reared and kept in hives to the extent of fifteen hives.

On the death of the debtor these goods go to the widow and family.

EXAMINATION OF JUDGMENT DEBTOR—The judgment debtor may be examined as to his property at the time debt is incurred, and his disposal of the same, and in the higher courts the transferee may also be examined. Any person in possession of property of the execution debtor may also be examined under order. On examination in the Division Court the Judge may order the debtor to pay the debt in such a way as he deems proper, and in default may issue an order for committal.

FRAUDULENT CONVEYANCES—Conveyances in fraud of creditors are void. Preferences by insolvents are void. Conveyances by debtors attached within sixty days or made within sixty days before an assignment for the benefit of creditors, are presumed to be made with intent to defraud or prefer.

GARNISHMENT—Debts due the debtor may be attached in the Division Court at the time of the issue of the summons, but in the County Court and High Court only after judgment.

INTEREST—The legal rate is six per cent., and when no agreement and interest is payable, that is the rate. Interest is allowed on all written agreements and on accounts where notice is given that interest would be charged.

JUDGMENTS—Where defendant does not defend, judgment may be entered in the higher courts ten days after service of the writ in the action. In the Division Courts ten, fifteen or twenty days after service, according to the residence of the defendant.

LIMITATION OF ACTIONS—Actions of account must be brought within six years—on contracts under seal, twenty years. Actions on the covenant on a mortgage made after 1st July, 1894, must be brought within ten years. Part payment will extend the time of action.

MARRIED WOMEN—May now contract, carry on business, sue and be sued in the same manner as if unmarried. They have the right of dower in all the husband's real estate.

REGISTRY FOR DEEDS—Instruments for registry must contain a sufficient description of the property mentioned, and the execution be verified by affidavit in proper form of a witness present at the time of signature. Registration gives priority.

WILLS—Must be in writing, signed at the foot by the testator in the presence of two witnesses, both present with him at the same time, and who in his presence and at his request, and in the presence of each other, sign their names as witnesses. A legacy or devise to a witness, or to the husband or wife of a witness, is void. An executor may be a proper witness. All wills are revoked by marriage. A minor cannot make a valid will. There is now a succession duty payable on property passing on the death of the owner, made up on a scale provided for in the Act, according to the amount of the estate and the relations inheriting.

QUEBEC.

ASSIGNMENTS—Any creditor for \$200 or over may make a demand of assignment on a debtor who does not pay, and if the latter refuses he may be arrested on a *capias*. The court, on the advice of the creditors, appoints a curator or trustee who realizes and divides the estate. The debtor is only discharged to the extent of the dividend.

ATTACHMENTS—A *capias* against the person or an attachment against the property of a debtor, may issue before judgment on an affidavit by the creditor or his agent that the debtor is about to abscond or to secrete his property with intent to defraud his creditors, or that he is insolvent and refuses to assign.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES—Are not recognized in Quebec. A creditor can only have a lien on chattels by keeping possession of them. An unpaid vendor of chattels or lands has a privilege or preference for the price.

COURTS—Magistrates' courts exist in some districts with jurisdiction up to \$50. The Circuit Court in Montreal, Quebec, and the chief town of each district has jurisdiction up to \$100, in outlying towns up to \$200. Cases above these amounts go to the Superior Court. Parties to a suit cannot give evidence on their own behalf. Actions brought on promissory notes, bills, cheques, and for the price of merchandise, are tried summarily. In other cases the delays are long.

EXECUTIONS—Execution against goods and lands cannot issue until 15 days after judgment, except upon an affidavit similar to that for attachments above. Chattels can be sold after 8 days' notice and lands after two months.

EXEMPTIONS—The following articles are exempt from seizure:—Beds, bedding and bedsteads used by the family; their wearing apparel; two stoves and their appendages; cooking utensils and furniture up to \$50; sewing machine if used for earning money; fuel and food for three months; a span of horses or yoke of oxen, 1 cow, 2 pigs, 4 sheep, plough, harrow, cart, etc.; tools up to \$30; any money or objects given or bequeathed for aliment or on condition of their being exempt from seizure.

INTEREST—Cannot be collected on an open account except upon a special agreement to pay it, or unless the debtor has been in the habit of paying it. No more than five years interest can be collected.

JUDGMENTS—A judgment is good for thirty years. If the defendant is insolvent a judgment gives the plaintiff no preference, except for the costs if a sale takes place under it.

LIMITATION—Promissory notes and accounts are prescribed or outlawed in five years from the time they become due.

MARRIED WOMEN—A married woman may carry on business. If she has no separate estate by marriage contract or judgment of the court, the husband also is liable for her business debts.

CHARTERED BANKS IN CANADA.

Place.	Name of Bank.
Ailsa Craig	Commerce.
Alexandria	Union.
Alliston	Hamilton.
Almonte	Montreal.
Arnprior	Ottawa.
Aurora	Ontario.
Aylmer	Molson's.
	Traders.
Ayr	Commerce.
Barrie	Toronto.
	Commerce.
Belleville	Montreal.
	Commerce.
	Dominion.
Berlin	Merchants.
	Commerce.
Blenheim	Commerce.
Bowmanville	Ontario.
	Standard.
Bradford	Standard.
Brampton	Dominion.
	Merchants.
Brantford	British N. America.
	Standard.
	Montreal.
	Commerce.
Brighton	Standard.
Brockville	Montreal.
	Toronto.
	Molson's.
Brussels	Standard.
Campbellford	Standard.
Cannington	Standard.
Carleton Place	Ottawa.
Cayuga	Commerce.
Chatham	Commerce.
	Merchants.
	Montreal.
	Standard.
Chesley	Hamilton.
Chesterville	Union.
Clinton	Molson's.
Cobourg	Toronto.
	Dominion.
Colborne	Standard.
Collingwood	Toronto.
	Commerce.
Cornwall	Montreal.
	Ontario.
Drayton	Traders.
Dundas	Commerce.
Dunnville	Commerce.
Durham	Standard.
Essex Centre	Imperial.
Elmira	Traders.
Exeter	Molson's.
Fergus	Imperial.
Forest	Standard.
Fort William	Montreal.
	Commercial Bk of Man
Galt	Commerce.
	Imperial.
	Merchants.
Gananoque	Merchants.
	Toronto.
Georgetown	Hamilton.
Goderich	Montreal.
	Commerce.
Grimsby	Hamilton.
Guelph	Montreal.
	Dominion.
	Commerce.
	Traders.
Glencoe	Traders.
Hamilton	British N. America.
	Hamilton.
	" Barton St.
	Montreal.
	Traders.
	Commerce.
	Molson's.
	Merchants.
Harriston	Standard.
Hawkesbury	Ottawa.
Ingersoll	Imperial.
	Merchants.
	Traders.
Iroquois	Union.
Jarvis	Commerce.
Keewatin	Ottawa.
Kincardine	Merchants.
Kingston	British N. America.
	Montreal.
	Merchants.
	Ontario.
Leamington	Traders.
Lindsay	Montreal.
	Ontario.
	Dominion.
Listowel	Hamilton.
London	British N. America.
	Montreal.
	Toronto.
	Commerce.
	Merchants.
	Molson's.
Lucknow	Hamilton.
Markham	Standard.
Meaford	Molson's.
Merrickville	Union.
Midland	Western.
Mitchell	Merchants.
Milton	Hamilton.
Morrisburg	Molson's.
Mount Forest	Hamilton.
	Ontario.
Napanee	Dominion.
	Merchants.
Newcastle	Standard.
Newmarket	Ontario.
New Hamburg	Western.
Niagara Falls	Imperial.
Norwich	Molson's.
Orangeville	Commerce.
	Hamilton.
Orillia	Dominion.
	Traders.
Oshawa	Dominion.

Place.	Name of Bank.
Oshawa	Western.
Ottawa	British N. America.
	Montreal.
	Ottawa.
	Commerce.
	Nationale.
	Merchants.
	Ontario.
	Quebec.
	Union.
	Molson's.
Owen Sound	Merchants.
	Molson's.
	Hamilton.
Paisley	Western.
Paris	British N. America.
	Commerce.
Parkdale	Standard.
Parkhill	Commerce.
Pembroke	Quebec.
	Ottawa.
Penetanguishene	Western.
Perth	Montreal.
	Merchants.
Peterborough	Montreal.
	Toronto.
	Commerce.
	Ontario.
Petrolia	Toronto.
Pickering	Ontario.
Pictou	Montreal.
	Standard.
Port Arthur	Ontario.
Port Colborne	Imperial.
Port Elgin	Hamilton.
Port Hope	Toronto.
	Traders.
Port Perry	Western.
Prescott	Merchants.
Preston	Merchants.
Rat Portage	Imperial.
Renfrew	Merchants.
Ridgetown	Molson's.
	Traders.
St. Catharines	Toronto.
	Commerce.
	Imperial.
St. Marys	Montreal.
	Traders.
St. Thomas	Imperial.
	Merchants.
	Molson's.
Sarnia	Montreal.
	Commerce.
	Traders.
Sault Ste. Marie	Commerce.
	Imperial.
Seaforth	Commerce.
	Dominion.
Simcoe	Commerce.
	Hamilton.
Smith's Falls	Molson's.
	Union.
Stouffville	Standard.
Stratford	Montreal.
	Commerce.
	Merchants.
Strathroy	Commerce.
	Traders.
Sudbury	Ontario.
Thorold	Commerce.
	Quebec.
Tilsonburg	Traders.
	Western.
Toronto	British N. America.
	Montreal.
	Dominion.
	" Queen St. E. Branch.
	" W. "
	" Market—King & Jarvis
	" Dundas & Brockton.
	" Spadina Ave. & Col'ge
	Toronto.
	" King St. West.
	Commerce.
	" North Toronto Brch
	" East "
	" West "
	" Spadina Avenue
	" Yonge and College.
	" Parliament St.
	" Market.
	Standard.
	" Yonge St. Branch
	" North Toronto.
	Ontario.
	" 500 Queen St. W. B'ch
	Quebec.
	Molson's.
	Traders.
	Union.
	Hamilton.
Toronto Junction	Molson's.
	Commerce.
Trenton	Molson's.
Uxbridge	Dominion.
Vankleek	d'Hochelaga.
Walkerton	Commerce.
	Merchants.
Walkerville	Commerce.
Wallaceburg	Montreal.
Waterloo	Molson's.
	Commerce.
	Imperial.
Welland	Imperial.
Winchester	Union.
Whitby	Dominion.
	Western.
Wilton	Union.
Windsor	Commerce.
	Merchants.
Wingham	Hamilton.
Woodstock	Commerce.
	Imperial.
	Molson's.
	British N. America.

Place.	Name of Bank.
Beauharnois	Jacques Cartier.
Bedford	Eastern Townships.
Berthierville	Ville Marie.
Buckingham	Ontario.
Coaticook	Eastern Townships.
	du Peuple.
Cowansville	Eastern Townships.
Drummondville	Jacques Cartier.
Farnham	St. Hyacinthe.
Fraserville	Jacques Cartier.
	People's of Halifax.
Granby	Eastern Townships.
Hull	Jacques Cartier.
Hochelaga	Ville Marie.
Huntingdon	Eastern Townships.
Joliette	d'Hochelaga.
Lachute	Ville Marie.
Laurentias	Jacques Cartier.
Louiseville	Ville Marie.
Montreal	British N. America.
	Montreal.
	" West End.
Toronto	" St. Etienne St.
	d'Hochelaga.
	Commerce.
	" Chaboillez Square
	" St. Lawrence St.
	Ontario.
	Nationale.
	Merchants.
	Ville Marie.
	Jac. Cartier.
	" Ontario St.
	du Peuple.
	" St. Catherine St. E.
	" Notre Dame St.
	Quebec.
	Molson's.
	Union.
	Merchants of Halifax.
	" West End.
	Nova Scotia.
Napierville	St. Jean.
Nicolet	Ville Marie.
Ornstown	Merchants of Halifax.
Plessisville	Jacques Cartier.
Point St. Charles	Ville Marie.
Quebec	British N. America.
	Montreal.
	Nationale.
	Merchants.
	Quebec.
	du Peuple.
	" Basse Ville.
	" St. Roch.
	Union.
	Jacques Cartier.
Richmond	Eastern Townships.
St. Cesaire	St. Hyacinthe.
St. Francois Beauce	St. Hyacinthe.
St. Henri	Jacques Cartier.
St. Jean Baptiste	Jacques Cartier.
St. Hyacinthe	St. Hyacinthe.
	Molson's.
	Jacques Cartier.
	du Peuple.
St. Jerome	du Peuple.
St. Johns	St. Johns.
	du Peuple.
	Merchants.
St. Theresa	Ville Marie.
St. Remi	du Peuple.
St. Sauveur	Jacques Cartier.
St. Simon	Jacques Cartier.
St. Cunegonde	Jacques Cartier.
Sherbrooke	Eastern Townships.
	Merchants.
	Nationale.
	Molson's.
Sorel	d'Hochelaga.
Stanstead	Eastern Townships.
Three Rivers	d'Hochelaga.
	Quebec.
	du Peuple.
Valleyfield	Jacques Cartier.
	Hochelaga.
Victoriaville	Jacques Cartier.
Waterloo	Eastern Townships.
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CHARTERED BANKS IN CANADA.—Continued.

NOVA SCOTIA—Continued.		NEW BRUNSWICK—Continued.		MANITOBA & N.W.T.—Continued.	
Place.	Name of Bank.	Place.	Name of Bank.	Place.	Name of Bank.
Port Hawkesbury	Merchants of Halifax.	St. John	New Brunswick.	Morden	Commercial.
Port Hood	People's of Halifax.		Nova Scotia.	Neepawa	Union.
Springhill	Halifax Banking Co.		Halifax Banking Co.	Portage la Prairie	Imperial.
Stellarton	Nova Scotia.	St. Stephen	St. Stephen's.		Commercial.
Sydney	Merchants of Halifax.		Nova Scotia.	Prince Albert	Imperial.
Truro	Halifax Banking Co.	Shediac	People's of Halifax.	Regina	Montreal.
	Merchants of Halifax.	Sussex	Nova Scotia.	Souris	Union.
Westville	Nova Scotia.	Woodstock	Nova Scotia.	Virten	Commercial.
Weymouth	Merchants of Halifax.		Merchants of Halifax.	Winnipeg	Montreal.
Windsor	Commercial.		People's		British N. America.
	People's of Halifax.	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.			Merchants.
Wolfeville	Peoples.	Charlottetown	Merchants of Halifax.		Imperial.
Yarmouth	Nova Scotia.		Merchants of P.E.I.		Ottawa.
	Yarmouth.		Nova Scotia.		Commercial.
NEW BRUNSWICK.			Nova Scotia.		Union.
Bathurst	Merchants of Halifax.	Georgetown	Merchants of P.E. Island.		Molsons.
Campbelltown	Nova Scotia.	Rustico	Farmers.		d'Hochelaga.
Chatham	Montreal.	Souris	Merchants of P.E. Island.		Commerce.
	Nova Scotia.	Summerside	Merchants of Halifax.	NEWFOUNDLAND.	
Dorchester	Merchants of Halifax.		Summerside.	St. Johns	Commercial of N.F.
Edmunston	People's of Halifax.		Nova Scotia.		Union of N.F.
Fredericton	British N. America.	MANITOBA & N. W. T.			Newfoundland Sav. Bank
	People's of N.B.	Boissevain	Union.	BRITISH COLUMBIA.	
	Nova Scotia.		Commercial.	Kamloops	British Columbia.
Kingston	Merchants of Halifax.	Brandon	British N. America.	Nanaimo	British Columbia.
Moncton	Montreal.		Imperial.	N. Westminster	British Columbia.
	Nova Scotia.	Calgary	Montreal.		Montreal.
Merchants of Halifax.			Molsons.	Nelson	Montreal.
Newcastle	Nova Scotia.	Carberry	Imperial.		British Columbia.
	Merchants of Halifax.		Union.	Vancouver	British Columbia.
Sackville	Halifax Banking Co.	Edmonton	Commercial.		British N. America.
	Merchants of Halifax.	Emerson	Imperial.		Montreal.
St. Andrews	Nova Scotia.	Lethbridge	Commercial.	Vernon	Montreal.
St. John	British N. America.	Minnedosa	Union.	Victoria	British Columbia.
	Montreal.	Moosomin	Commercial.		British N. America.
			Union.		Montreal.

POSTAL RATES.

POSTAGE RATES.—Letters.

Letters addressed to places in Canada and United States, 3 cents for each oz. or fraction thereof.

Newfoundland and Great Britain (whether sent by Canadian or New York Mail Steamers), 5 cents for each half oz. or fraction thereof.

City or Drop Letters, for City Delivery, 2 cents for each oz. or fraction thereof.

LETTERS from Toronto to Bracondale, Carlton West, Davenport, Deer Park, Doncaster, Norway, Swansea, West Toronto Junction, Todmorden, East Toronto, 1 cent for each ounce.

The above rates must in every case be prepaid by postage stamp. If insufficiently paid double the amount of the deficient postage will be charged on delivery.

Registration of Letters.

Letters intended to be Registered, when addressed to places in CANADA, must be prepaid by stamp, in addition to the postage rate, 5 cents each. To the UNITED STATES, 5 cents each, and to the UNITED KINGDOM, 5 cents each. The Registration fee on all letters must be prepaid by Registration Stamps, which are not available for payment of ordinary postage. All letters for Registration should be posted 30 minutes before the hour of closing the mails.

REGISTERED LETTER STAMPS may be obtained at any stamp agency.

All classes of matter addressed to Postal Union countries may be registered, and the sender may entitle himself to an acknowledgment of delivery to the party addressed, by the payment of a fee of five cents in addition to the registration fee.

No letter will be accepted for Registration, addressed either to a fictitious name or to initials, and any such Registered Letters received from other offices or deposited in the Letter Box for Registration will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS

published regularly at intervals of not more than one calendar month, having a full title, the place, date of publication, and the number of the issue printed at the top of the first page, posted by the publishers in the Post Office at the place where they are printed, and addressed to regular subscribers, or newsdealers, resident in the United States or Canada, except at the place of publication, are transmitted free of postage.

Transient Newspapers and Periodicals addressed to Places in Canada, Newfoundland and U.S.

On all newspapers and periodicals other than those from the office of publication, the postage rate is one cent per four ounces, which must be prepaid by postage stamp.

Newspapers and periodicals weighing less than one ounce may be posted singly; if prepaid by postage stamp, one half cent each.

Newspapers posted for city delivery must be prepaid by one cent stamp each.

A SINGLE BOOK, weight 7 lbs., can be sent in Canada. The limit of weight for Book Packets passing in Canada is 5 lbs. The rate is 1 cent for 4 oz., also to Manitoba, North-West Territory and to Victoria, B.C.

Books, and all printed matter to U.S., 1c. per 2 oz.

LEGAL AND COMMERCIAL PAPERS.—Legal and Commercial papers, posted for places in Canada, generally are subject to letter rate unless sent by parcel post; except deeds and insurance policies, which are one cent per 2 oz. Postage rates on Legal and Commercial papers, addressed to Postal Union countries, are: 5c. for the first 10 ozs., and 1c. for each additional 2 ozs.

PARCEL POST.

WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM, NEWFOUNDLAND, JAPAN, JAMAICA, BARBADOES, LEeward ISLANDS, AND CERTAIN OTHER COUNTRIES.

Closed parcels may be sent to places in Newfoundland, Jamaica, the United Kingdom, Japan, Barbadoes, Leeward Islands, and all other countries and colonies with which the United Kingdom maintains a parcel post. No correspondence must be enclosed. A Customs Declaration of the contents and value of each parcel must be filled up at the Post Office, or one of the branches, by the sender.

Parcels for Newfoundland must be prepaid 15 cents per lb. or fraction of a lb., and must not exceed 7 lbs. in weight, nor 2 feet in length by 1 foot in width or depth.

Parcels for Jamaica, Barbadoes, Grenada, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, and British Guiana, must be prepaid 20c. per lb. or fraction of a lb., and must not exceed 7 lbs. in weight, nor 2 feet in length, by 1 foot in width or depth.

Parcels for the United Kingdom must be prepaid 30c. for the first lb., and 16c. for each additional lb. or fraction of a lb., and must not exceed 11 lbs. in weight, nor 2 feet in length by 1 foot in width or depth.

Parcels for Japan must be prepaid 30c. per lb. or fraction of a lb., and must not exceed 7 lbs. in weight, nor 2 feet in length by 1 foot in width or depth.

Information as to other countries to which parcels may be sent, and the rates applicable to each, may be obtained on application at the Inquiry Wicket, General Post Office, or at any of the Branch Offices.

Parcels for Canada, 6c. for 4 oz.; must not exceed 5 lbs. in weight, nor 2 feet in length by 1 foot in width or depth.

5th class for Canada and United States, 1c. per oz. weight, and size same as parcel post.

PATTERN AND SAMPLE POST.

CANADA.—Patterns and samples of merchandise, not exceeding 24 oz. in weight, when posted in Canada for places within Canada, must be prepaid by postage stamp at the rate of one cent per 4 oz. weight, and put up in such manner as to admit of inspection. Goods sent in execution of an order, however small the quantity may be, or articles sent by one private individual to another, not being actually trade patterns or samples, are not admissible as such.

UNITED STATES.—Patterns and samples of merchandise, posted for places in the United States, will continue to be subject to the special rate of 2 cents for the first 4 oz., 1 cent each additional 2 oz., prepaid by postage stamp. Not to exceed 8 oz. in weight.

All newspapers, books, printed matter, samples, patterns to be sent by any mail, must be posted half an hour before the time of closing.

Letters to mere initials or fictitious names will not be delivered, unless addressed in care of a resident, or to some box in the Post Office.

Re-directed letters to places within the Dominion or U. S. will be forwarded without any additional charge, but should not be taken from post office.

Letters originating in Canada, re-directed to any of the Postal Union countries, except the United States or non Postal Union countries, where prepayment is not compulsory, will be forwarded even if taken out of the office and subsequently re-posted.

Letters containing Gold or Silver Money, Jewels or precious articles or anything liable to Customs duties, cannot be forwarded by Post to any of the Postal Union countries except the United States.

FOREIGN MAILS.

To all countries in the Universal Postal Union the rate of postage is as follows:—

Letters.	Postal Cards.	Books.	Newspapers	Registration
½ oz.	Each.	2 oz.	2 oz.	
5	2	1	1	5

Correspondence for Western Australia can be forwarded via Brindisi only.

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK.

Deposits from \$1.00 upwards, on which interest is allowed, will be received for transmission to the Central Office of the Post Office Savings Bank. Pass Books, and every information to be had on application.

MONEY ORDER BRANCH.

COMMISSIONS PAYABLE FOR MONEY ORDERS.

ORDERS PAYABLE IN THE DOMINION OF CANADA. Limit \$100.	
On Orders up to \$	4.00 ... 2 cents.
Over \$	4.00 " 5 "
"	10.00 " 10 "
"	20.00 " 20 "
"	40.00 " 30 "
"	60.00 " 40 "
"	80.00 " 50 "
"	100.00 " 50 "

Not more than one Order under \$10 to be issued to the same person in the same day, drawn on the same place, in favor of the same payee.

ORDERS PAYABLE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, UNITED STATES AND NEWFOUNDLAND. Limit, \$50.

On Orders up to \$10.00	10 cents.
Over \$10 and up to 20.00	20 "
" 20 " 30.00	30 "
" 30 " 40.00	40 "
" 40 " 50.00	50 "
ORDERS PAYABLE IN BRITISH INDIA. Limit, \$50.	
On Orders up to \$10.00	30 cents.
Over \$10 and up to 25.00	60 "
" 25 " 35.00	90 "
" 35 " 50.00	120 "

Postmasters are at liberty to issue two or more separate orders on the United States or United Kingdom of \$50, and on Canada of \$100, so as to make up the amount to be remitted.

Money orders issued in Canada on the United States are converted into and payable at their value in United States currency.

Money orders issued in the United States on Canada are drawn in United States currency, and converted into and payable at their value in Canadian currency.

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Friday 1st

Froze up slightly last night, although the indications now point to mild weather. I drove over to Toltom this morning to help them thresh. They finished up shortly after twelve o'clock. They had threshed 2 days before at the present time, and lump on other 2 half days earlier in the season, besides a spurt of about 2 hours on another occasion. So, I think, they must have had a good crop this year. Colin did the chores to day, he got Henry Duffield to come down and lance the lump on the heifer's neck. he put on his load for Guelph tomorrow. rain on to night

Rain.

Saturday 2

Considerable rain fell last night, but it has not rained any to day. Colin started off this morning before day light, Johny also went with 8 bags apples and other produce. They did not arrive home till after dark. Colin only got \$2.75 for his load. and slow sale, it will take cold weather to sharpen the demand. I fed Johny's stock at noon. I have also been at work, besides the usual chores, changing the door way from barn to Cattle stable, and made a new door. Maggie and her mother drove to Everton this afternoon. Maggie returned alone, her mother staying all night with Mary, who has been poorly this week.

Colin went to Guelph to day - with a load of wood

Johny there also with apples &c.

Sunday 3

Continues mild and soft. This has been more like a spring day than this day of the year. quite muddy under foot. Thomas Toltom drove over for Margaret to go over, as Bessie's baby is very sick. he had to drive down to Everton for her. Colin & Maggie have been at meeting twice, Henry Dumbor & his brother Thomas paid us a visit this afternoon, Thomas seems quite rational and is dissatisfied with the surveillance imposed upon him.

very soft and quite muddy under foot.

Henry and Thomas Dumbor paid us a visit.

Monday 4

Very mild and soft to day. it has rained a good part of the time this forenoon. the frost is leaving the ground very fast. and the roads are very bad, we remained at home all forenoon and I repaired my shoes, also put a patch on one of Colin's shoes. After dinner Colin and I hitched King to the buggy and drove up to Ouskie. the roads were terribly bad in places. I gave 2 marks for John Rea for C. Council marked for Talbot & Arg. and it was about dark when we returned home. Mother returned home this P.M. the baby is not likely to get better. it is vomiting blood. the Dr. has been there

Boating at Ouskie.

repairing shoes.

Tuesday 5

Froze up last night again and there is good footing once more. Colin has a heavy cold and he does not care to drive to Guelph till he feels better. I drove down to Everton this afternoon and attended Per. Vasconi's Sale. Margaret went with me, but did not go to the sale. I bought a few articles. Cross Cut Saw & Key hole saw 10°. Iron 25°. Ship's Bells 25°. Tub 10°. Curry Comb & Brush 15°. total = 85°

Attended Per. Vasconi's Auction Sale in Everton