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- January 1 it snowed last night today it is soft rained  
in the forenoon then got very cold in the evening
- " 2 This is a fine day I went to Aberfoyle to the  
Election of Councillors we had some of our friends  
for Newyears Dinner
- " 3 this is a fine day I went to Aberfoyle to Taylor  
and got the Mare Jess Shod
- " 4 This day is mild snowed a little we went to  
Guelph with a load of Wheat 37 B 28 at  
home 37 B 30 lb at Goldies it weighed 59 lb  
to the Bushel got 81 cts \$30.28 I bought  
500 lb flour paid \$2.40 per 100 lb \$10.50 500 lb  
shorts paid \$4.25
- " 5 this is a fine clear day I sold 2 Steers for \$60  
and 14 lambs for \$60 to David King he paid  
\$100 he will pay \$20 when he takes the lambs  
away the Steers went away today the lambs  
to go away next week Hector McLaugh  
and Wife from Beverly was here today  
Duncan Gilchrist and Annie came with them  
John Douglas paid Blackrent \$190
- " 6 this is a fine mild day we were down to Christ  
Littles to a Dinner it is his Birthday



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- January 7 this is a fine day we went to Guelph and settled up some of Blacks accounts
- " 9 this is a fine day David King took away the Lumber 14 and an old Cuce sold them for \$4<sup>25</sup> each
- " 10 a fine morning got stormy and cold James Scott and Wiff was here John Little came home from Sarnia Robert James was at William Beatties Bee hauling turnips to Guelph 7 teams
- " 11 this is a fine winter day frosty and clear
- " 13 this is a fine mild forenoon a little thaw got windy and cold in the afternoon we up to D Gilchrist's Susan had a young Daughter tonight at 9 o'clock
- " 14 this is a fine day I went up to Guelph and up to Robert Amoss brought Margaret down to wait on Susan for a week
- " 16 this is a fine clear day Robert I went down with John Little to his Brother Gacs he is going to Toronto to the College
- " 17 a fine clear morning but snowed some all afternoon out of the east I went to Guelph with Lizzie we were at the Creamery meeting in the Townhall I bought a new case tooth 6 feet crosscut saw paid \$5 for saw and handles



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- Jan 18 this is a fine clear day Joseph Little and wife  
was here to see Susan
- " 21 this is a cold frosty day 10 degrees below zero
- " 22 very cold 20 below zero
- " 23 a fine day but cold I went in to Guelph
- " 24 this is a fine day I was at the Annual Meeting  
of the Sustinch. M. T. Company I was chosen  
President of the Company a little snow last night
- " 25 snowed a good deal I was at the Funeral of Mrs  
John He Doughty a very large funeral
- " 26 this day is very cold and stormy
- " 27 very cold about 10 below zero all day Robert  
James Lizyie George Grigor and Wife went  
up to Margarets on a visit they were very cold
- " 28 this is a clear cold day 10 below zero George Grigor  
and his Wife went over to Sandy Flimmings to  
stop all night they have been here since Tuesday  
on a visit the first since they got Married  
the roads are badly drifted in some places
- " 29 a cold day they upset going to the Church
- " 30 this is a fine mild day I was at a meeting at the  
Church about the Cemetery
- " 31 a fine mild day Mr & Mrs Gilfillian was here



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- Feb 1 this is a fine day I went in to the Guelph fair  
I bought 15 Bushels 45 lb of Peas at James Flewers  
Paid 72 cts per B \$11.34 12 Bushels Rats at  
48 cts \$5.76
- " 4 this has been a fine week I was at Aberfoyle
- " 6 a clear cold day I was down to Aberfoyle
- " 8 a fine clear day I paid James Watt \$10 in  
Payment of two Mares put to his Horse Lord  
Douglas I paid \$1 at time of service have \$9  
to pay when satisfied that Doll is in foal
- " 9 this is a very cold day over 10 below zero
- " 11 this is fine clear day I went to Guelph got a Spring  
in my Watch at Bringles paid a Dollar for it
- " 13 this is a fine mild day I went down to Campbellville  
Station with John Little he is going to Toronto
- " 14 this morning is mild snowed about noon the Boys  
started to haul ice from the Aberfoyle dam  
hauled 4 loads with 2 teams 4 blocks it was  
hard hauling in some places the snow is deep
- " 15 this is a very cold day keen frost from 10 to 20  
below zero Robert James got his nose froze  
6 times in one trip to Aberfoyle hauling ice  
got home 4 loads 4 blocks



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- Feb 16 a fine day been frost in the morning got milder  
Robert James went to Oberporle Mill for some  
Chop Stuff 7 bags paid 6 cts per bag he took  
home 4 blocks of ice got it all home now 95 blocks  
and a lot of small ones to park John Foster and  
Christ Mr. Breath got it with I pay 2½ cents per block  
the young folks are down to Gilfillians
- 17 this is a fine day I went down to Moriston was at Morrisons  
Sale bought a pair of gate hinges paid 25<sup>cts</sup> Paid Allan  
Mr. Tutty \$2.50 for fixing the Cutler and Sharpening saw
- 18 I went up to Guelph and R. Amos with Janet Amos  
bought a Bushel of Clover Seed at Andersons for  
\$5.50 a bottle of Medicine for Edward \$1.50
- 20 this day is soft rained some in the morning Robert I  
was up to Guelph with a load wood for C. Little he  
took up ~~two~~ loads and brock the Sleigh runner
- 21 this a fine day but cold we went over to Galt and  
up to Mr. Oressin Waterloo above Dawn Mills  
Mr. and Mrs. Amos went up with us
- 22 this is a fine mild day went down to Galt and  
stoped at Mr. Amos all night
- 23 this is a fine day we went up to Janet Gilfillians  
at Preston for dinner came home in the afternoon



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Feb 24 a fine clear day William Black from Kansas was here he came yesterday

" 25 this day is soft it snowed in the Morning then rained some light a fine afternoon the Brays shot the Dog Collie and skinned him I went down to the Postoffice in the Afternoon

" 27 this day is very cold below zero

" 28 this is a very cold day

" 29 this is a fine mild day I went over to Blacks saw Mill Robert James went up above Guelfh for a load of Hay for Christ Little

March 1 this is a fine day got cold in the afternoon

" 2 this is a very cold day

" 3 this day is very cold and windy we went to Guelfh with a load of Wheat 39 B 28 lb at home 39 B 15 lb at Goldies it weighed 58 lb to the Bushel got 80 cts per B & 31.00 Edward went up to Robert Dross for 10 Bushels of Barley I brought for seed have to pay 55 cents

" 6 we have had very cold weather lately I went down to Moriston to get the team harness repaired paid \$2

" 7 this is a fine day but cold we went in to Guelfh Fair it is fine sleighing



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- March 8 this is a fine clear day not so cold Robert James went down to Milton Edward went to Blacks Mill with some Peas to chop but did not get it done
- " 9 this is a fine clear day I went out to Mrs Blacks to measure her firewood Henry Keleher cutt and hauled 17 1/2 cords of Stove wood paid him 20 cts per cord to cutt and draw \$15 <sup>75</sup> Edward went to Blacks Mill for the chop Peas and a load of Sawdust Robert I got home from Milton
- " 10 this is a fine mild I went in to Guelph with Edward for a load of Oats but we did not gett them
- " 12 this day is cold yesterday it snowed and Stormed Robert James went over to Joseph Smiths for a load of Oats 52 B 13 lb paid 45 cts per B I made a bargain with Mr Davidson for to put up a Wind Mill
- " 13 this is a dreadfull cold stormy day the men cleaned up a load of fall W heat
- " 12 Donald Bell comenced to work cutting fire wood
- " 14 a fine day went up to James Scotts on a visit
- " 15 a fine day cool we went in to Guelph bought an Ox paid \$1 <sup>40</sup> for an Ox hauled then went to Mr Buchanan



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- March 17 this is a fine clear day the sun is strong but very frosty every day I went to the Post Office
- " 18 this is a fine clear frosty day
- " 19 this is a fine warm day the sleighing is done in town we went in to Guelph with a load of Wheat 39 B 44 lbs at home 39 B 50 lb at Goldies got 82 ct per B it weighed 60 lbs \$32. ~~66~~ got 500 lb of flour at \$2 per hd 500 lb Bran paid \$4 ~~29~~
- " 20 this morning is very soft some rain the snow went away very fast warm in the afternoon
- " 21 this is a very stormy day it snowed all forenoon then got very cold and windy at night I went to Sherboyle got a shoe on farmer and a chain mended
- " 22 this is a very cold day with high wind we went in to Guelph with the Buggy the sleighing is very <sup>good</sup> it is the Easter fair I was at the Farmers institute in the Town Hall in the afternoon
- " 23 this day is very cold 10 Deg below zero it is cold all day we went in to Guelph for lumber for the Derrick of a Wind Mill Fannie the Mare foaled yesterday morning she had two Dead foals the one was very small it had been Dead for a considerable time it was much decayed



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- March 24 this day is clear calm and very cold away below zero in the morning the Boys are getting home firewood I started to smock the hams
- .. 26 This morning is a raw east wind it has been raining a little nearly all day and freezing it got soft at night thawing the Boys cleaned up some Barley
- .. 27 this day is mild it rained in the evening the snow is well off the fields lots of ice on the roads in some places the Boys were halling and splitting wood
- .. 31 this is a fine day I went in to Guelph with the Carriage John Little and Donald Bell went in with me John Little is going to preach up to Bells Corners and Donald is going to Milton he left us he wanted \$20 per month and I would not give it he helped the Boys to get the firewood for the summer
- April 2 a fine day but frosty all day
- .. 4 very fine weather frosty at night
- .. 5 this forenoon is wet till near 11 o'clock then a fine day we cutt our firewood with the saw I went to the Post Office the roads are very bad in some places
- .. 7 this day is very cold we went in to Guelph for the wind Mill but did not get it I sent away \$243<sup>63</sup> to Mrs Stewart to Port Huron by Express



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- April 9 a very fine day got raw and cold near night I went up to Robert Amass with Mother John Little and Susan Robert and we settled up he paid his note \$16 I paid him \$5<sup>00</sup> for 10 Bushels Barley & 2.27 for 8½ Bushels Oats I paid 96 cts at the Station for the freight on the Wind Mill from Galt when we came home one of the Cows had Died she put out her Calveed she was alright when we left in the morning and had calved
- " 10 this day is soft it rained nearly all day
- " 11 this day is cold Robert James went into Guelph got the Wind Mill home sold the cow hide \$1.25
- " 12 this day is very cold and frosty Margaret & Robert was down he brought down 5 bags of Potatoes to change for seed I got 2 bags Beauts of hebrun and 3 B Elephants Mr & Mrs Lennie was over here on a visit
- " 13 I went down to Marriaton
- " 14 I went in to Guelph to a Meeting of the Creamery Committee
- " 16 I went down to Aberdeen to the Seed Show and I hired Bob Robertson to dig a drain and Post holes
- " 17 Bob Robertson commenced to dig the ditch



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- April 18 the weather is cold I went up to Mr Davidsons and  
came home then went in to Guelph for a load of  
piping 515 feet Dave Alkinsons raising
- " 19 Mr Davidson & Mr Been comenced to wost at the  
Wind Mill I went down to Oberpoyle in the  
afternoon then I went down in the evening to  
hunt for a man to help to dig Post holes for  
the wind Mill and dig a ditch I got Mr Davidson  
Taylors Father in Law for two days paid \$2
- " 20 we went to Peter Littles Funeral he Died very  
sudden on Tuesday night
- " 21 the weather is very cold and frosty we raised the  
Derrick for the Wind Mill in the morning  
then I went in to Guelph to a Meeting of the  
Creamery Committee I was at the College  
for Dinner
- " 23 I went down to Oberpoyle got August Miller  
to Dig the Ditch it is hard frozen he  
comenced afternoon the Saw piced had 7
- " 24 the weather is very cold every day hard frost  
every night and very dry hard on the bl'heat  
we went down to Mr Tutys Mill for a load of  
Saw dust paid 50 cents for it got the Gang plow  
piced



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- April 24 I went in to Guelph for some piping in the evening after half past 4 o'clock
- " 25 this is a fine day frosty in the Morning got fine and warm through the day Davidson finished the Wind Mill we got all the ditch filled in we had August Miller  $2\frac{1}{2}$  day paid \$2.50 Edward is Gang ploughing for Barley
- " 26 this is a fine warm day but the weather is very dry we went to Guelph for a load of salt 2415 lb at \$4.70 per ton I drew \$200 out of the Bank paid Mr Davidson \$170.40 for putting up a Wind Mill and piping. Guelph horse Show
- " 27 this day is very warm 85 Deg in the Shade I went over to the first Concession with Professor Robertson of the College Creamery to try and get more patrons to give there Cream
- " 28 this day is terrible hot for the season we sowed salt on the field at the end of the Barn Robert commenced to sow the Barley in the afternoon
- " 29 this day is very warm we had 3 day very hot
- 30 this is raw east wind finished sowing Barley in the field at the end of the Barn rain in the afternoon



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- May 1 frost in the morning cold air all day Edward is Gang ploughing  
in big flat field next the sideline back Robert rolling
- " 2 a fine day but cool air I went in to Guelph with Lizzie  
in the afternoon got some Pea meal for the calves 65 lb  
89 cts tried to get a leg for the Gang plough did not get it
- " 3 a fine day cold East wind in the evening I sowed some  
Salt sowed the Barley in the big flat field next the  
sideline 10 Bushels Farmer horse is very lame a sprain
- " 4 this is a very fine day some warmer Robert sowed  
some oats in the field with the Barley Bob Robertson  
finished putting in 40 posts paid him 7 cents a post  
he dug parts of a ditch and wrought 2 days I paid  
\$6 <sup>50</sup>
- " 5 this is a fine day I commenced the garden sowed some  
seed Onions finished sowing the Barley 16 1/2 acres
- " 6 this is a fine day the Boys are Gang ploughing and  
harrowing and rolling
- " 8 this morning is raw and cold it commenced to  
rain after noon rained a little all afternoon  
Doll the Mare foaled this morning a mare foal
- " 9 this is a fine warm day I went in to Guelph got a  
leg for the Gang Plough at Tolton Be paid \$1-30  
the 30 cts for freight got 16 lb timothy seed paid \$1-29



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- May 9 sowed 6 ~~acres~~ of Peas in the field at the Windmill  
" 10 a fine day sowed Oats in the little field at the Creek  
" 11 a fine warm day I was at the garden we sowed the  
Oats in the 2 fields at the Concession  
" 12 a fine day got cool at night sowed some Oats in  
field at the Railroad next the Sideroad Dolls pool  
Died today we had 2 navies working today  
fixing fences paid them 50 cts each  
" 13 this day is cold all day near frost in the morning  
" 14 this day is cold Robert went to Mr Tutys Mill  
for some hemlock lumber for fencing  
they started to gather the Cream for the Creamery  
" 16 very cold Robert is sowing some peas  $3\frac{1}{4}$  Bushels and  
Oats in the field next the Orchard I went in to  
Guelfh in the afternoon got some money out of the  
Bank \$38 I bought a Bushel of Corn for seed  
paid 85 cts  
17. this day is cold Robert finished seeding in the  
Morning Oats 24 acres Barley  $16\frac{1}{2}$  Acres Peas  $7\frac{1}{2}$   
Edward and Jack is hauling out Dung for the  
Potatoes I went down to get Farmer and Dolls  
Shed at Briskleys I paid 60 cts I paid Allan Mr Tutys  
\$8 for fencing lumber



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May 17 I paid Mrs James Black \$13

- 18 this day is very cold east wind it has been very cold all this week frost every morning it rained a little in the afternoon not much the Boys cleaned out the sheep house in the afternoon
- .. 19 this is a fine but cool the Boys is hauling out Manure for the turnips Robert and me were putting on the boards on the new fence out near the Swamp in the afternoon I planted some Potatoes in hills
- .. 21 this is a fine day it is warmer but very dry the boys are hauling out dung we put the Boards on the new fence in the forenoon Robert ploughed the corn land in the afternoon I sold a bag of Potatoes to William Cussins for \$1<sup>30</sup>
- .. 19 John Smith got 4 bags of Potatoes he is to pay \$1<sup>30</sup> per bag sometime
- .. 22 this is a fine day we planted the Potatoes all but three rows 1/2 acres we had Smiths two Boys planting
- .. 24 the weather warm and dry the Boys and Lizzie was away I went to the Postoffice
- .. 25 this is a fine day were fixing fences back the sideline I went to the Council meeting



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- May 26 a fine day a little rain in the forenoon the  
Engine was up past here yesterday on the Railroad  
the track is laid up to Murray's line fence
- " 28 this is a fine warm day I went in to Guelph with  
Susan and Lizzie to get some things out to meet  
John Little but he left Guelph before we got  
in I bought 5<sup>lb</sup> of turnip seed paid one Dollar  
William Gilfillian and Wife was here on a visit
- " 29 this is a fine warm day the Boys are spreading dung  
and ploughing the turnip land
- " 30 a fine day the Boy washed the Sheep finished plough-  
ing the turnip land
- " 31 a fine day a light shower in the forenoon we  
went to the Church it is the fast day Jane is very  
bad with a sore leg Mother is down there
- June 1 a fine day but cool and dry I went in to Guelph  
with John Little he is going up the Country
- " 2 we had a fine rain today it rained heavy for about  
two hours we were at the Church
- " 3 a very fine day but a little cool we were at the  
Church it is the Sacrament Sabbath
- " 4 a fine day some frost in the morning in some places  
I got Jennie the mare shod at Taylors



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- June 5 a very fine day I went down to James with Mother in the morning Jane has been very bad with the Milk leg for over a week she is a little better today we clipped the sheep 12 our flock is very small this year Christ LITTLE and Edward clipped them Robert J. commenced to plough the summer fallow the little field back next Archies
- " 6 a fine day went in to Guelph with a calf sold it for three Dollars it was small we bought some salt and Plaster for the turnips
- " 7 this morning is cold got warm in the afternoon we commenced to work Statute labour
- " 8 very warm today finished the Statute labour
- " 9 this day is very warm all day a little rain in the evening Mother and me went over to Dumpries to William Beatties Funeral he was Buried in the Galt Cemetery we got Dinner at Mr. Adams got home at dark
- " 10 we had a thunder storm it rained heavy for a good while it will do a deal of good it has been very dry this Spring
- " 11 a very fine day cool in the morning the Boys are ploughing the summer fallow



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June 12 a fine day we cleaned up a load of Wheat I went down to Aberfoyle in the afternoon and got the mare Jennie shod at Taylors

" 13 a fine day warm we went into Guelph with a load of Wheat 40 B 26 lb at home 40 B 30 lb at Goldies it weighed 60 lb to the Bushel got 95 cts per Bushel \$ 38.<sup>47</sup> Bought 500 lb of flour paid \$ 2.<sup>40</sup> per 100 lb \$ 12.<sup>50</sup> <sup>shaffts</sup> 500 lb paid \$ 4.<sup>50</sup> bought a dung fork paid 75 cts

" 14 a fine warm day had a fine rain last night

" 15 a fine warm day things are growing fine Robert comenced to Plough some sod in the back field for summer fallow

" 16 a very warm day Robert I comenced to drill for the turnips and sowed an acre I went with Mather to Guelph we got our picture taken

" 18 the weather is very warm they are drilling and sowing turnips I comenced yesterday to take some Medicine I got for the Sciatica

" 19 this day is very dry and warm we finished sowing the turnips 4 acres 7 1/2 lb

" 21 this is a very warm day we went down to Aberfoyle to Mr Tuttyes for a load of hemlock lumber



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- June 21 Paid Mc Intyre \$ 7. 61 for lumber 761 feet
- " 23 a very warm day I went in to Guelph with some  
Wheat 12 B 49 lb it weighed 60 lb to the Bushel  
got 45 cts per B \$ 11. 21 I bought 30 feet of Ash  
lumber dressed at Stewarts paid 40 cts a half bundle  
of cedar shingles paid 85 cts a 100 lb of oatmeal  
at Andersons paid \$ 2. 25 a barrel of salt 90 cts  
a hoe 75 cts I got a lb of Paris green at Balbs  
paid 35 cts a lb at Pettries 25 cts
- " 24 we had a fine rain it was much needed it has  
been very warm and dry all week
- " 26 Robert James finished ploughing the summer  
fallow it is fine weather.
- " 27 a fine day but sool looks like rain out of the east
- " 28 this is a very wet day it has rained all day out  
of the east it will do great good
- " 29 this is a very fine grazing day Robert James  
was down here he called with his two Cussins  
Mr and Miss Turnbull from Scotland  
I went to Guelph in the afternoon for the  
wheel of the section grinder paid 80 cts for  
fixing it at Toltons it was the school picnic  
I went over to Alexander Smiths



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- July 2 this is fine warm weather I went up to Margarets with Mother Jane <sup>and</sup> Janet Amos we went to the Picnic
- " 3 I went down to Mr.iston in the afternoon
- " 4 I went in to Guelph with Lizzy and young John Little they <sup>went</sup> up to Mr.iston on the train to go to Heppel
- " 5 this is fine warm weather I went to Rockwood with the wool 72½ lb at 21cts half cash I was docked 2½ lb for scotts it came to \$15.25 I got yarn and flannel Robert James comenced to cutt the hay in the orchard
- " 3 William Jones comenced to work about 10 O'clock we hired him for two months for \$50
- " 6 comenced to cutt the hay in the orchard
- " 7 very dry and warm got in a load of hay
- " 10 Will is scuppling the turnips Robert cutting
- " 13 the weather is very dry got the hay all in but a little raikins 13 load good loads the hay was light but the quality is first rate all timothy we put the Mare Doll to Watts Horse Lord Douglas to pay half price



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- July 14 very dry I went in to Guelph with Susan and to meet Lizzie she got home from Fleppel I bought 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  5 lb of sugar from Peter Anderson paid \$10  $\frac{25}{100}$
- " 17 very dry the Boys are busy thinning the turnips I went down to Bisklys Shop took the Wagon and the Carriage down to get the tires sett got the Carriage done and three shoes sett
- " 18 we have had a fine rain several showers it was much needed it will do a great amount of good to the country
- " 20 finished thinning the turnips
- " 21 fine weather we started to cutt the Wheat down a little
- " 23 we had a fine rain this afternoon
- " 24 the Boys are ploughing and hauling out manure
- " 25 a fine day cutting Wheat Robert brock a wheel of the Binder
- " 26 I went up to Margrates with Susan she is to go up to Owen Sound on Saturday I went down to Ashaw Station for the wheel of the Binder it came from Woodstock I paid 25cts for freight
- " 27 finished cutting the Wheat and some Barley



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- July 28 a fine day Robert cutt the Barley in the field at the end of the Barn I went in to Guelfph and the Creamery to a meeting of the Committee
- " 30 cutt the Barley in the field at the well and hauled in 3 loads of wheat
- " 31 hauled in 3 large loads of Barley it comenced to rain about 11 O'clock I went down to Taylors to get Jennie and Jess Shod
- August 1 a fine day hauled in some wheat and Barley
- " 2 got in all the Barley that is cutt and some wheat
- " 3 a fine day Edward is at John Smiths with the team hauling in wheat they are thrashing Robert is cutting the Barley back in the Big flatt field 6 acres it rained in the evening
- " 4 this morning is dull and very warm there was a great deal of thunder and lightning and some rain last night the Boys are ploughing in the forenoon then finished cutting the Barley hauled in two loads of wheat
- " 6 this is a very day finished hauling in the wheat
- " 7 finished hauling in the Barley
- " 8 a light shower last night and one this afternoon we comenced to cutt the Oats cutt 7 acres



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- August 9 a fine day they comenced to clean the turnips the  
turnips the second time Robert finished ploughing  
the Summerfallow the second time
- .. 10 the Boys are ~~at~~ at the turnips
- .. 11 the Boys are at the turnips in the forenoon then  
pulled  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of Peas in the afternoon I was  
pulling weeds in the Potatoes
- .. 13 the Boys are pulling the Pease with the horse  
rake I was pulling weeds in the Potatoes
- .. 14 Robert cutt 3 acres of oats and hauled in some
- .. 15 hauled in the oats in the platt field loads  
and 2 loads of Pease Will went away about 4  
oclock to see his sister she is Dying
- .. 16 it rained in the morning Robert cutt some oats  
in the afternoon
- .. 17 it rained in the morning it turned out a fine day  
cutt oats
- .. 18 Will came home last night he has ben away  
 $2\frac{1}{4}$  days his sister Died Robert finished cutting  
the oats out at the Concession the Boys pulled the  
balance of the Peas then hauled in 5 loads of  
Pease
- .. 20 fine weather hauled in 4 load of Pease



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- Aug 21 hauled in oats in the forenoon at the Summerfallow  
in the afternoon very warm in the forenoon  
bathrin & Rebecca Horricks was here last  
night on a visit they went away today
- " 22 this day is windy and cool Robert finished  
cutting the oats hauled in one load of oats
- " 23 this forenoon is very cold and windy I went in  
to Guelph for the Ferris the black mare  
Jennie is sick she has been scawing very  
bad lately this is the Farmers Club seed  
show there is a lott of very fine wheat
- " 24 I went in to Guelph to tell the Ferris how  
the mare is she is a good deal better
- " 25 the weather is very dry and warm today  
it was very windy yesterday and today  
Robert is at Murrays thrashing the other  
Boys are at the Summerfallow
- " 29 this is a fine day we went in to Guelph with some  
Butter and eggs I paid the Ferris \$4 for  
one trip down to see the Mare Jennie she  
got all better now Mr & Mrs Gilfillian was  
here on a visit when we got home
- 30 terrible dry and hatt gott in all the Oats



Aug 31 we had several showers we were thrashing  
had Peter Flumer stop many times stopped  
several times we thrashed all the wheat fall  
240 B Pease 165 B Oats 200 B

- Sept 1 a fine day after the rain it rained a good deal  
through the night I went in to Guelph with  
some Butter got 22 sts per lb Susan came home  
from Owen Sound she has been away for 5 weeks
- " 3 this is a fine day cool in the morning the Boys  
are ploughing the fallow
- " 4 a fine day commenced to sow the fall wheat
- " 5 finished sowing the wheat in the field next  
Archies sowed  $13\frac{1}{2}$  Bushels on 7 acres with  
the 12 sag pinion rather thick I went in  
to Guelph and to the Sale at the Coledge  
Mr Robert Orr and Wife was here from  
Waterloo on a visit Robert Amos and  
Margaret was here also
- " 6 a fine day but cool east wind Edward  
sowed timothy seed on the wheat next  
Archies sowed it with Donald Campbells  
Seed Barrow 33 lbs on 7 Acres I went out  
to the Postoffice for the Papers



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- Sept 7 a fine day looks like rain in the evening Robert James finished Sowing the wheat 10 1/2 Bushels today on 6 Acres with the 10 cog wheel 24 B in all on 13 Acres
- " 8 This morning is dull we had a heavy shower in the evening I went in to Guelph with some Butter then went to a Meeting of the Creamery Committee
- " 10 a fine warm day we cleaned up a load of Wheat the Rev Mr Burns was here I subscribed \$5 for the endowment of Knox College pay next December
- " 11 a very warm day we went to Guelph with a load of Wheat 43 B 1 lb at home 42 B 55 lb at Goldies it weighed 61 lb to the B got \$1. <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> per B \$43. 35 bought 500 lb of flour at \$2 <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> \$12. <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub> 500 lb of Bran at \$14 per ton
- the trains started to run on the Railroad today they <sup>are</sup> going to run regular now
- " 13 fine weather but very dry Edward sowed timothy and clover out in the field at the Concession
- " 15 sowed timothy down near the Railroad on the flatt got it riddled we fixed the fence at the back lot
- " 16 a fine rain rained nearly all day



1888

- Sept 17 a fine warm day we killed 5 pigs Christ Little helped us Edward was at ~~Smiths~~<sup>Gainys</sup> thrashing
- " 18 a fine warm day I went in to Guelph with the pigs 5 pigs weighed 597 lb at home 584 lb at Guelph market sales dosked 10 lb 574 lb at \$7<sup>90</sup> per 100 lb came to \$43-5 sold them to Mr Hardey Edward went down to the Toronto Show with Christ Robert was at Flemmings thrashing Bob Barker was at Smiths thrashing for us
- " 19 Robert James comenced to plough the sod at the back field Edward got home from Toronto
- " 20 fine warm weather I went down to Morriston with some collers to Scotts to fix
- " 24 very fine weather Mrs Flemming Died this Morning she has been sick for a long time
- " 25 a fine day the boys are prouging the sod we had Bob Barker helping Edward to put up a fence through a swamp at the Back lott I was at Christ Littles sale I bought the Bobleigh for \$14<sup>40</sup> cash
- " 26 this day is coal we were at Mrs Flemmings Funerall Mrs Gage late Magaie Taylor from Michigan came here last night



1888

Sept 27 this day is cold I went in to Guelph with Mrs Gage to the train to go home I went to Oberpoyle got a shoe on Jennie at Goylors

~~.. 28 this is a fine day we had Robert Barker working he helped Edward to put a fence through the swamp~~

~~.. I went to Christ Little Sale I thought the Bob Sleigh paid \$14  $\frac{40}{100}$  cash Mrs Gage from Michigan came here after dark with her Uncle John Smith she is a daughter of George Taylor~~

~~.. 29 this day is raw and cold with a shower in the afternoon we were at Mrs A Flinnings Funeral~~

~~.. 28 a fine day we commenced to take up the potatoes we had Willie McKenzie and James Smith helping~~

~~29 a fine morning at the Potatoes some rain in the afternoon and got cold we put the old saw up to patten she has been getting peas outside~~

~~.. 21 Edward went to the Oberpoyle Mill with 13 bags to chop 7 of Peas 4 of Peas & oats and 2 of Oats we put up 6 pigs to patten going to put on chopp~~

~~.. 30 this day is raw and cold some rain we were at Church~~

Oct 1 rained some all forenoon the Boys cleaned up 23 B of the Oats we got from Gilpillan and carried them over to the hay house put them in the Sleigh Box



1888

- Oct 2 this day is cold and raw it rained and snowed the most of the forenoon it cleared up before noon the Boys were at the Potatoes had Robert Barker helping them in the Afternoon
- " 3 this is a fine day we finished taking up the Potatoes in the forenoon all but the land to plough Edward went to the Oberpoyle Mill with 16 bags to chop
- " 4 a fine day we were at the Puslinch Show we got the first prize for the yearling colt we did not show much some Apples and Beets
- " 5 a fine day but dull we were thrashing Oats and Barley 200 Bushels of Oats 500 of Barley
- " 6 a fine day we went to the Church then in to Guelph Barker was at W. McFenzies thrashing the filled 22 bags of Apples for cider
- " 7 this day is some cold we were at the Church it is the Sacrament Sabath
- " 8 this day is very windy and cold Edward went up to Guelph to the Cider Mill with 22 bags of Apples got a little over 2 barrels
- " 9 a fine day but cold in the forenoon we started to pull the Apples and harrow the sod



1888

- October 10 this is a fine day warmer pulling Apples and boiling cider for applejack we got a little over two barrels of cider paid 10cts per bag for smoking it I sold 9 lambs to Mr Spence for \$4 each he took away 3 lambs
- " 11 this is a fine day I went in to Guelph with the Cider kettle to Mr Smiths we had it hired for one day paid twentyfive cents the Boys cleaned up a load of Barley 23 bags
- " 12 this morning was soft it rained some in the forenoon very light but rained a good deal in the afternoon we went in to Guelph with a load of Barley 53 B 11 lbs in Guelph 53 B 24 at home got 70cts \$34.<sup>26</sup> Robert James went to the Milton Show
- " 13 this Morning is soft and Dull Robert is Ploughing we cleaned up a load of Barley
- " 15 this is a fine day we were piking apples Robert James went to Guelph with a load for Robert Beattie they moved in to Guelph for to live
- " 16 this day is soft several Showers we went to Guelph with a load of Barley 50 B 40 lb at Guelph 51 B 26 lbs at home got 68cts \$34.<sup>50</sup>



1888

Oct 17 a fine day we were picking Apples Robert James is plowing

18 this is a fine day I went to Oberpyle got the Mare Doll shod and Jennies hind feet at Taylors we killed a pig it weighed 168 lb for our own use

.. 19 this forenoon is wet we cleaned up a load of Barley and was at the Apples in the Afternoon

.. 20 this day is cold and raw Showery at the apples

.. 21 this day is cold and frosty

.. 22 hard frost in the morning we went into Guelph with a load of Barley 54 B 41 lb at home 54 B 13 lb at Bendeltons Guelph got 70 sts per B I bought 9 flour Barrels for Apples paid 30 sts each

.. 23 this day is dull and misty a little light rain at the Apples in the forenoon rained in the evening there was a Tea Meeting at the Schoolhouse at night

.. 24 this morning is raw and Showery in the forenoon turned out a fine day we were at the Apples Robert James is away with the team to move Christ Little down to Campbellville he is going to live there and Butcher I paid Peter Flume \$19 for thrashing



1888

- Oct 26 this is a fine morning till noon then it rained all afternoon at the apples in the forenoon Mother and me went over to see William Gilfillan he is very bad just trying very dark when we got home we had Robert Jefferson and James Smith helping us with the apples
- " 27 this day is wet it rained a good deal I went to Guelph
- " 28 this day raw and cold some light showers I got the mare Fanny shod on the forefoot at Bickley
- " 30 this is very fine day we commenced to top the turnips yesterday harrowed some up today busy at the apples I went over to Peter McHenry's sale then went over to William Gilfillan's he died today at half past two o'clock
- " 31 a very fine day we went to Guelph with a load of Barley 53 B 38 lb at home 53 B 31 lb at Guelph got 60 cts per B
- \$ 32 <sup>15</sup> Robert started to harrow the turnips bought Edward a pair of Boots paid \$3.10 flour Barrels for Apples paid 30 cts each \$3
- Nov 1 a fine warm day busy hauling in the turnips we went down to William Gilfillan's Funeral at noon the Funeral was at 2 o'clock P.M.



1888

- Nov 2 a fine day in the forenoon warm busy at the turnips  
I was filling Barrels with Apples in the forenoon but  
it got showery in the Afternoon Robert James went  
down to Taylors to get Jennie shod in the forenoon  
got new shoes on
- " 3 this morning is cool but it turned out a fine day  
for the turnips got all the Sweets in 38 load there  
is quite a lot of Greystone to take in yet I went to  
Guelfph with Mother with Chickens and Butter
- " 5 this is a very fine day warm Robert is Ploughing  
the Boys are at the turnips I was at the Apples
- " 6 this is a fine day warm got a little colder in the evening  
we killed 5 pigs in the forenoon we had Duncan Gilchrist  
helping us ploughing and at the Apples in the afternoon
- " 7 a fine day a little frost in the morning we went to  
Guelfph with two pigs one weighed 193 lb. 160 lb  
got \$7 per 100 lb \$24<sup>22</sup> I paid George Henning  
\$14 for 100 lb of binding twine that we got in the  
harvest I was at the Sawer with Gilfillan
- " 8 this is a wet stormy day and raw east wind
- " 9 this day kept it rained all night heavy and this  
forenoon light and warm we put the corn to the cures  
I bought him at the fair paid \$7 to Mr Adamson  
Assagaweyd



1888

- Nov 10 This morning is wet it cleared up about 10 o'clock  
Robert James went in to Guelph after it cleared up  
with 20 bags of apples to make cider got about 100  
Gallons he paid \$2 Edward is at A. McHenry's thrashing
- " 12 this is a fine day I went in to Guelph for the bags Robert  
left on Saturday the Boys are Ploughing
- " 13 this is a beautiful day warm I went down to the  
Post Office they are hauling cider
- " 14 this is a very fine warm day we went in to Guelph with  
a load of Barley 53 B 36 lb at Guelph Slemons got  
68 cts \$36.55
- " 15 this is a very fine warm day this is the Dominion  
Thanksgiving day we were at Church cleaned up  
a load of Barley and filled up some <sup>apples</sup> to make cider
- " 16 this is a rather cool day it rained some last night  
and a light drizzle of snow this morning we went to  
Guelph with a load of Barley 42 B 7 lb at home  
41 B 42 lb at Slemons got 62 cts \$28.47 we had  
6 bags of Apples for cider got a small Barrel cider
- " 17 the ground is white this morning cold all day the  
Boys are fixing up the Stables and getting the  
young cattle tyed in I went down to the  
Post Office in the afternoon



1888

Nov 19 the ground is covered with snow it snowed a little all night then rained some and thawed all forenoon it got soft Robert James went down to Campbellville with a load of Potatoes for Carist Little I went to Rockwood and got the old horse covers I left in the summer at the Factory I bought a pair of horse covers paid \$4 for them some yarn and wincy

" 21 a fine day we went in to Guelph with a load of Barley 55 B 6 lb at home 54 B 43 lb at Guelph got 68 cts \$39. <sup>32</sup>  
bought a pair of Boots for Robert paid \$3 the frost is hard they cannot plough

" 22 this day is raw and cold

" 24 this is a fine day warmer the roads are hard good wheeling I went to Guelph with Susan and Lizzie I had two bags of apples for Duncan Graham I bought a quarter of Pepp from Billy Watson 127 lb paid \$6 <sup>45</sup>

" 26 this morning is cold and stormy Robert James went to the Oberpohl Mill with 15 bags to Chop 8 cts 7 miscad he did not get it home

" 27 this is a fine day we commenced to take the stones out of the well we are going to deepen it the water is very low Mr Davidson is with us



1888

- Nov 28 the weather is mild busy at the well
- " 27 I had to go to Guelph for 2 rims for to make a curb for the well the Barn at the Model farm was burned last night and all the crops
- " 30 we have had fine weather all week a little soft sometimes we got the well all stoned up
- Dec 1 this day is a little colder got the well finished and the wind mill started before noon made a first class job of it 3 feet 3 in of water it is 22 feet deep got a new platform I paid Mr Davidson \$12 he paid \$1 for 2 rims for a curb and I paid \$1 for 2 rims we <sup>had</sup> Donald Bell helping us we got 178 feet of lumber paid \$1.78 it has cost \$22 to fix the well
- " 3 this is a fine day had a little drizzle of snow last night Robert & Donald started to take in the straw stack
- " 4 this day is colder got stormy in the afternoon got in all the straw stack and got the horse power sett and fixed
- " 5 a very fine day I went in to Guelph the fair day got a pair of felt Boots paid \$7 for myself



1888

- Dec 8 a fine day Mather and me went in to Guelph  
had some articles to the market to sell  
" got a card at the Postoffice for some freight  
" 10 this is a fine day went to Guelph with the wagon  
for 2 barrels of Dried pigs from California I  
paid \$5.20 for Duty 30 cts for filling papers  
\$5.50 580 lb. I bought 500 lb flour paid  
\$2.65 per 100 lb. \$13.25 100 lb oatmeal \$2.50  
a pair felt boots for myself \$2  
" 12 a fine day but a little cold I went down to  
Morriston got the Buggy wheel fixed at Camp-  
ells part of a new rim and spoke  
" 13 very cold I went in to Guelph Christmas fair  
I bought a gallon of paint  
" 14 this is a cold clear day Robert and Donald  
Bell went down to Campbellville on the train  
James Mc Laren was here on a visit from  
Drumho  
" 15 a clear cold day Donald Bell is hauling out Dung  
" 16 Sunday it rained nearly all day not heavy  
" 17 this day is soft Robert James went to the Aberfoyle  
Mill with 9 bags of Mixed to Chopp paid 7 cts  
he got Jess Shod new shoes all round \$1.20



1888

- Dec 18 this morning is colder and stormy with a little snow  
Mother and me went down to Campbellville with  
the Car from Carleton Place to visit Jane Little  
Robert James took us over to Corvick we came  
up in the evening with the train
- " 19 this is a very cold day we went up to Margarets  
on a visit it was very cold going up the Brook road
- " 21 this day is windy and cold I went to the Post Office
- " 22 this day is cold and frosty John Little and Elizabeth  
went to Guelph with the Buggy
- " 23 this is a fine day we went to the Church
- " 24 this is a fine warm day we painted the Windmill
- " 25 this day is soft it rained all forenoon lightly  
Christ Little Jane and all there family came up  
from Campbellville John Little and there family  
were here to a Christmas Dinner
- " 26 this day is very dull and soft Misty and raw  
the Boys are fixing things about the place  
the roads are very bad John and William  
Gilchrist went off on the evening train on the  
C. P. R for British Columbia
- " 27 this day is colder the roads are very rough I  
went to the Post Office and to old Mrs. Ellis' Funeral  
she died aged 74 years



1888

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in the forenoon had Archy and Donald & Fenzie  
this is Mothers Birth day

" 29 this is a fine clear day we got a Cow hanged  
in the stable she was dead when they went  
out after Breckfast we skinned her and took  
the skin to Guelph got \$2 <sup>12</sup> \$4 per 100 lb  
I went to Guelph with Lizzie and Donald Bell  
I paid Donald \$12 for a Months work

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shower of snow last night I went down to  
Aberfoyle to the Nomination of Councilors  
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Jan

1889

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weather hardly any snow this winter I  
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12 bags to shop & mixed and 4 Oats
- " 8 this is a fine day we have a little snow the Boys are  
getting out firewood Mather and me went to Guelph  
with the butter I paid for the Mercury 4 copies  
for \$4
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very windy all night
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a good deal but blowed all away
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out to Gask Douglass to try and get the rent  
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here on a visit
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- Jan 15 this is a fine I was at the annual Meeting of the  
Puslinch Mutual fire Insurance Company  
I was elected President
- " 16 this is a fine Morning till noon then it rained  
all afternoon we went up to James Scotts  
in the Afternoon
- " 15 I paid Mrs Black \$10 and Blair Falconbridge  
his Account
- " 17 frosty hard roads I was at Mrs George Duthies  
Funeral I paid James McLean \$5 for my  
Subscription the Truse Coledge fund
- " 19 this is a very cold frosty day I went to Guelph  
bought 4 Galons Coal Oil at Balls and 2 bits and  
an inch chisel
- " 20 this is a very cold day it snowed in the evening
- " 21 this a very cold stormy day snowed some  
last night got very Windy all day
- " 23 this is very fine mild weather
- " 24 a fine mild day Robert went to the Oberpoyle  
Mill with 12 bags to shopp<sup>t</sup> B mixed and  
5 oats
- " 25 a fine warm day the sleighing is about done  
I was on the Annual Meeting at the Church



1889

- Jan 26 this is a fine day we went to Guelph with Buggie fine wheeling I had a hide in to sell it weighed 49 lb got  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents per lb very sheap it was a heipper we killed last Wednesday the 23 the heipper weighed kind over 208 lb fore 162 lb
- " 27 this day is foggie and raw snowed in the afternoon
- " 28 it has been stormy snowed a lot plenty of snow to make sleighing we had to go with the children to school
- " 29 this day is cold I went up to Margarets with Susan and Lizzie
- " 30 this is a fine day Mother and me went down to Campbellville to see Jane and her Family
- " 31 we went in to Guelph with a load of Barley 55 B & lb at home 54 B 28 lb at Bendeltons got 54 cts per B & 29 46 the Barley is very dull and low
- Feb 1 this is a fine day went down got Jess shod at Bickleys
- " 2 sort of stormy in the Morning snowing some we went to Guelph with 16 bags of Apples got 50 cts for the Sp's and 40 cts for the others
- " 4 this is a fine mild day working in the Shop



1889

Feb 5 it snowed a lot last night we were up to Murrays  
last night Mother Susan and me it was stormy  
coming home Nicolas Norris and wife was  
here today on a visit it got very before night  
down to zero

" 6 This is a dreadfull cold day Robert went in to  
Guelfh fair with a cow sold her for \$25<sup>50</sup>  
cattle is very dull she was very cheap to was  
dreadfull cold going in Lizzyie and me went  
in with the cutter I got my nose and cheeks  
frozen John <sup>Douglas</sup> paid me \$90 for rent for the  
Black Farm

" 7 This day is cold but warmer than yesterday  
I went down to the Mill with 8 bags of Oats to  
Chop but I did not get it home

" 8 This is a fine mild day filled some apples

" 9 This is a fine day we went in to Guelfh with a load of  
Apples 15 bags got 50 cts for 7 bags Mrs 40 cts for  
8 B sold 13 B to the Colledge

" 12 This day is very cold and windy the roads are  
very heavy I went to Mrs Dougald Campbells  
Funeral she is a very old woman 82 years  
I was one of the pallbearers



1889

- Feb 13 this is a fine day sold in the morning J Scott wife and Mrs D Graham was here on a visit
- " 12 Robert James went in to Guelph with a steere we sold to George Wakefield for \$22 very cheap
- " 14 this is a fine day Edward was at John Philips tree with the team taking a load of wood to Guelph Robert Margaret and all the Family were down here on a visit all night
- " 16 this is a fine morning but it got soft rained a little in the afternoon dull Scotch Mist we were in Guelph we had 15 bags of Apple for the Colledge got 50 cts for 11 Bags 40 cts for 4 B \$7<sup>00</sup> we Brought 1500 lbs <sup>of Bran</sup> at Goldies mill paid \$9<sup>25</sup> \$14 per ton Bran
- " 17 a fine mild day they went to Guelph Church
- " 18 this day quite stormy I wrote a letter to George
- " 20 the weather is very cold I went down to Moriston to see My Morrison and got the harness fixed at Scotts
- " 21 very cold Robert James went to the Oberpoy Mill with eight bags of Mised to Chapp but he did not get it home
- " 22 this day is very stormy and cold Robert went for the chapp to the Mill but he only got one bag something wrong with the mill



1889

- Feb 23 this day is very cold the thermometer 10 below zero it has been very cold and stormy all week the roads are very bad drifted  
Robert went to the mill for the shop but he did not get <sup>it</sup> the mill is out of order he had had hard work to get through with the drifts
- " 24 this is a very cold day 23 below zero
- " 25 this morning is very cold 20 below zero turned out a fine clear day but cold near night I went down to Oberpogle got the shop from the mill got Farmer Shad at Bickley
- " 26 this is a fine clear morning got soft then ~~rained~~ snowed we went in to Guelph Mother had Butter
- " 27 a fine day the mildest day for a long time I went down to Johnstons Sale of Stoves and tinware
- " 28 a fine day I was down to Oberpogle to a meeting William Harrocks and Wife and Mrs Gilfillan was here on a visit from Minto he Bought 10 Bushels 10 lb of Barley for seed paid 56 cts per B 5.70 they stopped all night
- March 2 a fine warm day the snow is melting we went to Guelph with 11 bags of Apples sold them from 30 cts to 50 cts per Bag \$4 25



1889

- March 1 a fine warm day started to haul ice from Aberfoyle dam 10 blocks but the roads are soft
- " 3 This day is very warm the sun is strong the snow got soft we were at Mrs Bickley's <sup>Funeral</sup>
- " 4 this day is clear and warm Edward is <sup>at</sup> Arhies cutting fire wood
- " 5 this is a fine clear day we went down on a visit to John Macfarlane, Donald Mawra and Mrs Gilpillans
- " 6 I went with Lizzie to Guelph put \$75 in the Bank for the Black estate called to see Gulkris & Watt Robert is hauling posts
- " 7 this day is colder I was down to a meeting at the Church got 200 posts from James McShaw 6 cts each
- " 8 this day is cold and stormy
- " 9 this day is very windy and stormy the roads are drifted we went in to Guelph with 13 bags of Apples got 50 cts for some 4 bags 35 cts in trage for the rest 9 bags brought 2 1/3 Bushels Clover \$5 50 per B \$12.86
- " 11 this is a fine day the roads are badly Drifted
- " 12 This is a fine warm day Bob little is helping Robert to haul ice from Aberfoyle dam



1884

March 12 got home 4 loads of ice 35 blocks August Miller  
cutt it but it is too warm for the ice  
the Mare Fannie Sliped her foal she had  
two foals but one of them has been dead for  
a long time

" 13 this is a fine day the snow is going but it got cold  
in the evening I was at John Smiths Sale I bought  
a wheelbarrow for \$2 <sup>75</sup> 10 sapp pails 5 str eush

" 14 this is a fine day I went down to Mrs Giffillans  
for 12 bushels of Peas paid 56 cts per \$6 <sup>72</sup>  
took 4 bags of Oats to the Mill to chop paid  
Robert Little \$1 <sup>50</sup> for 3 day work

" 16 this day is very warm I went to Guelph with  
Lizzie the sleighing is done about Guelph  
and very deep snow in some places in the  
Country

" 17 warm the snow is going fast

" 18 warm the Boys are cutting wood in the bush

" 19 this day is warm and soft the sleighing is done  
Mother and me were up to see William Hume  
he is very load with drappery and heart disease

20 were at Peter Mc Larens Sale we bought  
2 Ploughs for \$6 <sup>58</sup> the roads are very bad



1889

- March 23 this is a very fine warm day we were in to Guelph today to meet Mrs Jane McCoag from Peppell she came down <sup>on</sup> a visit I bought 4 gallons coal Oil at Petries paid 15 sts per Gallon
- " 24 frosty in the morning warm after were at Church
- " 26 hard frost in the morning we were at William Humes Funeral David King was here and Bought 2 Steers for \$70 very cheap
- " 27 this is a very fine day we cutt our firewood with the circular Saw
- " 29 this is a fine day but cold we were out to Oberpoyle to the Mill with 12 bags of Oats to Chop we were at the seed fair I bought 13 bushels of Oats paid 33 sts per Bushel \$4 <sup>29</sup> and 4 B 30 lb Peas paid 67 <sup>sts</sup> per B \$2 <sup>49</sup>
- " 31 it snowed all day there is quite a fall of snow
- April 1 this is a fine warm day I went to Guelph with the Buggy I was settling up with Mr Bailey about his Mortgages he paid me up for the two Mortgages on the Stewart Farm I put the Money Stirton Bank
- " 2 this is a fine day Robert James went down to Mr James for a load of Oats 68 Bushels paid 33 st per B \$22-44



1889

- April 2 Robert Amos and Margaret was down on a visit
- " 4 this is a fine day I went over to Flector Mc Coag in Beverly with Mother and Aunt Jane Mc Coag the roads are very bad I called at the Town Hall Aberpyle to vot on the repeal of the Scott Act
- " 5 we got home from Beverly we called at Mrs Gilpillans the roads are very bad the saw piced <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ <sup>all died</sup>
- " 6 this is a fine warm day the road dried up some places we went to Guelph Bought 500 lb of flour at James Flewors paid \$2 <sup>62 1/2</sup> per 100 lb \$13 <sup>13</sup> Galt flour Robert James Bought a suit of cloths at Williamsons paid \$14 the prise was \$16
- 8 Robert went with the saw to Fitchens Boar Mrs Gilpillan William and Janet came here with Aunt Jane she was down there for a few days
- " 9 a fine warm day Edward went in to Guelph with a load for John Little he is moving up to Heppel
- 8 Donald Bell somenced to work he is hired for 7 Month at \$17 per Month
- " 10 this is a fine warm day Robert somenced to plough I went in to Guelph <sup>with</sup> John Little Susan and the children and Aunt Jane she went home and John is going up to Heppel to preash for the summer



1889

- April 11 a fine warm day the two teams are ploughing
- " 12 this day is a little colder I went down to Aberfoyle got Fannie Shod in the front feet at Bickleys I was in to hear the court of Alex and John Smiths
- " 13 this day is cold we went in to Guelph with 11 bags of Apples sold them for 35 sts per bag
- " 15 this is a fine day Robert went with the saw to Fitchins Boar the same saw that went to the Boar last Monday I went down to Aberfoyle to Taylors and got Doll and Jennie Shod all over that is got them removed
- " 16 this is a fine day frosty at night I went down to the Church to a Meeting to appoint 2 trustees for the Cemetery
- " 17 Mother and me went in to Guelph I bought a pair of shoes for Robert paid \$1-25 a pair of plough lines paid 30 sts a can tick destroyer 35
- " 18 a very warm day I was in to Guelph on a scott Ack case and the horse show I went down to Alexander Smiths for 4 Bushels 7 lb Spring Wheat paid \$1-<sup>15</sup>/<sub>100</sub> \$4 72
- " 19 a fine warm day commenced to sow the Barley 5 1/2 Acres 10 Bushels



1889

- April 20 this is a fine warm day I went in to Guelph with one horse and 5 bags of Appels sold them for 40 cts per Bag I bought home 500 lb of salt 30 cts per 100 lb & 6 per ton
- " 22 it is colder frost at night sowed the salt and 4 Bushels of Spring wheat and some Barley
- " 23 a fine day finished sowing the Barley sowed 11 B sowed 21 B in all sowed with the 30 cog wheel 12 perian
- " 24 started to sow the oats in the big flat field till about 3 o'clock then we had a very heavy storm of wind and rain the first rain of any amount this Spring
- " 25 this day is dull but a good day Robert <sup>commenced</sup> to plough the sod in the field at the creek for Peas we put tick destroyer on the sheep one of them a fine ewe with two lambs drank some of the stuff and Died in about 3 hours
- " 26 this is a fine day I went down to Aberpyle got the Colter fixed two of the ewes was dead in the morning one drank Poison the other had a sore bag they were fine ewes and had 2 lambs each Robert finished the Oats in the big flat Field 2.6 Bushels
- " 27 this day is wet it rained near all day not heavy I went to Guelph with 5 bag Apples got 50 cts for  
cud



1889

May 9 this day is very warm Donald is Ploughing Robert finished rolling then he started to pick stones off the grass the Minister had a Prayer meeting here this afternoon

.. 10 this is a fine morning I went down to Beerfangle to the Mill with 6 bags of Oats to chop and the wheel of the old wagon to Taylors to fix paid \$1<sup>30</sup> we had a fine rain it rained near 2 hours not heavy

.. 11 this is fine growing weather warm I went in to Guelpt with 5 bags of Appels got from 35 to 50 cts per bag had some eggs got 11 cts

.. 13 this is a fine day cool in the morning the Boys got all the Stones gathered off the grass field I went down to Moriston then to Gilfillans

.. 14 a fine day it rained a good bit in the morning the things are growing fine warm the Boys washed the sheep 14 Robert rolled some of the grass

.. 15 this morning is a little cold got warm at noon then cold at night some rain at night we went up to Robert Amos I bought a B of Sutherland corn for seed paid 90 cts and a post Spoon paid 65 cts

.. 16 a fine day Donald is at the Dung for turnips



1889

May 18 this is a fine warm day we went to Guelph with Butter and Eggs got 15 for B 11 for eggs we had a load of Wheat 37 B 55 lb got 95 ct per B \$36.2 we bought 213 lb of Barb wire paid \$5.75 per 100 lb 10 lb spike nails 5 lb Staples \$12.70

" 19 very warm in the forenoon a big shower at noon

" 20 a fine day Edward clipped 10 sheep

" 21 some rain in the morning got cold before night finished clipping the sheep 15 Mr & Mrs Amos was here from Galt tonight

" 22 this day is quite cool Robert is ploughing the land for corn got a lot of potatoes cut got ~~all~~ the Dung all out for the turnips Mr & Mrs Amos and Maggie went away

" 23 very cold some frost Robert James sowed two acres of corn for feed then planted 13 rows of Beauty of Hebron Potatoes

" 24 this is a fine day cool night and morning Robert and Donald Bell went to Milton I went over to Mr Kenzie's paid \$2 for Bull money in full

" 25 a fine day finished planting Potatoes 13 Beauty of Hebron 3 Early rose remainder White Elephant  
1/2 acres



1889

- May 25 we went in to Guelph with Butter and Eggs  
I got 6 lb seed turnip 1 lb Purple top stalk \$1/40  
1 lb Hungarian grass seed
- " 27 working at the wire fence it rained all afternoon  
cleaned up a load of Wheat
- " 28 this is a very cold day some snow flying we  
finished putting on the wire on the fence
- " 29 this morning is very hard frost the ground is  
hard done a lot of damage in the garden  
we went to Guelph with a load of Wheat  
40 B 26 lb at home 40 B 30 lb at Guelph got  
90 cts per B it weighed 60 lb to the B \$36 45
- " 30 this day very wet it commenced to rain yesterday  
afternoon it rained all night it is still raining  
at noon cold rain out of the east until 4 o'clock
- " 31 this day is very dull it rained through the  
the night it has rained a great deal the land  
is too soft to go on to it the boys are scraping  
and pruning the Appel trees I was mending  
shoes part of the day put the Mare Fannie to  
to the Horse
- June 1 this is a fine day but cool we went in to Guelph then  
I went down to the Church



1889

- June 2 a fine day but cold we were at the Church it is the Sacrament Sabeth
- " 3 a fine day but dull finished ploughing the Turnip land Robert is fixing the board fence he went down to Carr With Jennie mare to meet Grants Horse
- " 4 this day is cool the Boys started to pull down the fence along the lane to the ~~Post~~ Road and dig the Post holes for a wire fence
- " 5 the Boys were fixing fence round the Pea field
- " 6 this is the finest day for some time I went down to Taylors to get Jennie and Jess Shads we put the mare Doll to the horse
- " 7 this was a fine morning till noon then it rained nearly all afternoon not heavy we cleared up a load of wheat 40 B 11 lb finished putting the wire on the fence all but a little in the forenoon
- " 8 this is a fine day after the rain it rained nearly all night we went in to Guelph with butter and eggs
- " 10 This is a fine day I went down to Marrieston to the sale of the Church Lott Jennie got the horse I Grants



(1889)

- June 11 this is a fine day we went in to Guelph with a load of Wheat 40 B 10 lb got 40 cts \$36 <sup>15</sup> we bought 87 lb of barbed wire 50 lb fence wire 2 1/2 lb fence staples a keg of shingle nails at \$3 1/4 per 100 lb to return what we do not require paid for all \$9. <sup>64</sup> bought 100 lb oat meal at \$2 <sup>25</sup> 20 cts castor oil 15 cts <sup>oil</sup> machine
- . 13 this is fine warm day I went down to Oberfory got Farmer Shud at Bickleys the Boys were out the Lake
- . 11 we got one of the cows killed on the Railroad skinned it got \$1 for its hides is very cheap
- . 14 this day is very warm we went to Rockwood with the wool 4 1/2 lb of pine wool got 25 cts in trade 4 5/2 lb coarse at 22 cts \$21 <sup>25</sup>
- . 15 this day is very warm showers going round in some places we had a big shower after dinner we were in Guelph with Butter and eggs
- . 17 this is a fine day but we had a very heavy rain last night rained a great deal I went down to Morriston and then to Mr. M. Tutash the Tailor with a suit of cloths to make
- . 18 this is a fine day commenced to drill for the Turneps and sawed a quantity I went over to John Fitchies paid him \$2 for the two sows to the Bear



1889

- June 18. I warned out the men for the Statute labour for Friday the Boys are the fence along the lane
- " 19 this day is very wet it has rained all forenoon low ground is very wet it cleared up in the afternoon
- " 20 this is a fine day Robert was drilling and sowing the turnips Siggie Edward and Donald went into Guelph to see the Band Tournament
- " 21 this has been a wet forenoon some very heavy showers the flats are flooded with water we were to have started the road work but we could not do it with water
- " 22 this is a fine day after rain we went to Guelph had 3 bags of Potatoes sold them for 35 sts the first we sold this year we bought 500 lb flour at Goldies paid \$2.40 per 100 lb \$12 100 shirts 65 sts
- " 23 this is a very fine day we were at Church
- " 24 this is fine day finished sowing the turnips 7 lb of seed we were working Statute labour
- " 25 this is a fine day I went up to London to a Convention of Insurance Companies I went up with the 2.50 train got in to London a little before 6 o'clock



1889

June 26 I got home from London in the evening  
paid 1 1/3 pair for return \$ 2 90

" 27 this was a fine forenoon very warm but we  
had a terrible thunder storm after noon  
it rained in torrents. 123456789 O abed of p d i j k l m

July 1 this is a fine day Robert scuffled the Potatoes

" 2 the weather is very soft and dull the Boys  
started to put the posts in for a new fence from  
the lane to the sideroad

" 3 this is a fine day I went in to Guelph settled  
up in the Bank with all the Bank Books  
I came home then went down to Oberfoyle  
to a Meeting of Reformers at the Hall at 7 O'Clock

" 4 I went down to Oberfoyle gave Mrs Black  
\$ 10 Henry Kelleher \$ 5 paid Falconbridge  
\$ 21 1/4 Robert scuffled the Corn

" 6 it is very warm we went in to Guelph with  
Butter I bought 2 lb Paris green 25cts per lb

June 28 this is a very warm day this is the  
school picnic and Examination  
I went up to the Ag. cultural College  
it was the closing Examination there  
was a great crowd there



1889

- July 8 this day is very warm Robert commenced to cut the hay I went down to a Committee Meeting at the Hall Oberpayle
- " 9 this is a very warm day got in 3 loads of hay
- " 10 this day is very warm got very sultry then had thunder with a little rain afternoon then in the evening had a big rain got in 3 load of hay
- " 11 this is a fine warm day busy at the hay I went down to the Post office got Jennie Shad in the front feet at Taylors
- " 12 This is a fine day Robert finished cutting the hay it is very heavy in the field at the old roothouse
- " 13 a fine morning but we had a heavy shower in the forenoon a fine afternoon at the hay we went in to Guelph got coal oil a new three prong fork paid 50 cts
- " 15 a fine day I went in to Guelph got a bag of Salt 130 lb paid 57 cts busy at the hay got in 5 loads got it all raked
- " 16 this is a fine day for the hay not too warm got in 8 loads



1889

- July 17 this is a fine hay day got the most of the hay  
in the Barn
- 18 This is a fine day finished hauling in the hay  
a good crop one field a very fine heavy crop  
2 loads Mother and me was down to Campbellburg
- 19 a very light shower in the morning I went down  
to Oberlin paid my heat rents to J. M. Lean  
\$6 <sup>25</sup> got Farmer & Dall Mad at Bickleys  
and left the old Buggy wheel to sett tyre
- 20 a fine day the Boys are at the turnips cleaning  
Mother and I went in to Guelph in the afternoon  
with some Butter and eggs
- 22 a fine day the Boys at the turnips cleaned some wheat
- 23 a fine day cool had a great storm of rain and  
wind last night put the grain down bad  
we went to Guelph with a load of wheat 36 B  
30 lb got 93 st per B \$33. <sup>99</sup> it weighed 60 lb  
we bought 8 squares of shingles second class  
pine for the Sheed roof paid \$1 <sup>20</sup> per square  
\$9 <sup>60</sup>
- 24 a fine day Robert James started to cut the  
Barley but he did not do much when he look  
something had to go to Guelph to get it cast



1889

July 24 I got very bad this morning at 4 O'clock with Cholera Morbus I wa very bad till 3 O'clock when Doctor Arton came I was very weak by that <sup>time</sup> Robert James went out in the evening to Tom Weirs for a new hay rack he paid \$6 for it

.. 25 Robert James went in to Gowides for the part of the Binder he got home at noon then he started to cutt

.. 26 finished cutting the Barley in the front field then went to the back field cutt Barley and wheat

.. 27 the weather is close and dull I have ben weak since I got bad but I must be thankful I am no worse Robert has cutt the most of the Wheat

.. 29 the finished cutting the Barley and Wheat the Wheat was a fine crop but it is badly rusted the Barley is a very heavy heavy crop but it has got culered with rain

.. 31 a fine day sarterd to haul in the Barley some of it is not very pitt dull weather and heavy hauled in 4 loads and two of Wheat



1889

Aberfoyle

apples & pels

- Aug 1 a fine warm day busy hauling in Barley
- " 2 a fine day till near night then we had a terrible storm of rain and wind single
- " 3 this is a fine day Robert started to shingle the back shed Edward started to scrupel the turnips I went to Guelph to see the Doctor I am getting better
- " 5 this is a fine harvest day we got in all the fall wheat <sup>hauling in</sup> loads we went to the funeral of Duncan Camerons Boy aged 9 years stems stems
- " 6 finished hauling in the Barley
- " 7 Edward & Donald is at the turnips Robert is shingling Mr & Mrs Armas from Galt was here
- " 8 this is a fine day <sup>lady</sup> Siggie & Maggie Armas went <sup>down</sup> to Campbellville with horse and Buggie Guss  
Jens
- " 9 a fine day but dull like rain we had several showers after dark a fine rain the Boys are at the turnips and shingeling
- " 10 a fine cool day we went to Guelph took Maggie Armas up she has been down here for over two weeks we had Butter & Eggs Robert cutt the Spring wheat Donald is hauling out Dung to the fallow



1889

- Aug 11 this is a fine cool day we were at the Church  
Doston Mc Farj our Minister preached his  
last sermon to us he is going to leave our  
congregation he has been here nearly 16 years
- .. 12 this is a fine day Robert <sup>cutt</sup> some ragweed out  
in the field at the Concession with the Mower  
it is very bad with it Donald started to  
plough the Summerfallow it is bad with this
- .. 13 this is a fine day I went down to Oberpylo got  
a letter from George got Farmer Shab at Birkley
- .. 14 a fine day I went over to John Smiths the Boys  
are Ploughing the Summerfallow.
- .. 15 Jane was up from Campbellville went to Guelph  
I was down to Oberpylo sent away a letter to  
George the Boys are Ploughing
- .. 16 this a fine day but cold and windy the Boys  
finished Pulling the Beas with the wooden  
raike some of them is not good got killed  
out in June with ~~out~~ too much rain they  
were near the creek low and level
- .. 17 a fine day we went in to Guelph with Butter  
the Boys hauled in 3 loads of Beas in the  
afternoon the thrashing Machine came here  
in the evening



1889

- Aug 19 This is a fine day warm we were thrashing in the forenoon half day Peter Flumes Machine we thrashed all the fall wheat 260 Bushels and 10 Bushels of Barley the wheat is not first class William McTenzie and Fleming is thrashing in the afternoon
- " 20 this day warm and dull in the morning we had thunder and a heavy shower through the night the Boys are ploughing and harrowing Edward is at Gilchrist's thrashing
- " 21 This is a fine day Edward is Atkinsons thrashing Robert somenced to cutt the Oats they are heavy
- " 22 Robert Brook a wheel of the Binder I went down to Morrison to try and get one but I could not get one then I went to Guelph got one at Gowdies it the Guelph civic holiday we got in the Spring wheat 2 very large loads
- " 23 got the Binder fixed is cutting the oats
- " 24 finished cutting the Oats in the Field reset the Orchard started the big plat back I went in to Guelph to the seed wheat show
- " 26 the saw piced yesterday morning she had 8 living and one dead cutting Oats



1889

Aug 27 very warm dry weather. cutting Oats they are very hard to cut they are very heavy and laid down very bad Donald was picking Stones in the pasture at the Oats in the afternoon

.. 28 Robert James started ridge up the summerfallow they started to haul in the Oats

.. 31 very dry warm weather the Boys got in all the Oats that are cut they have been very heavy and laid down we have 4 Acres to cut the other saw piged she had 9 piges they are doing well

Sept 2 it is very warm the Boys are ploughing for wheat

.. 3 very hot and warm I went down to Bickley and got the Buggie tyres set and a spake paid \$2.50

Mary and George Orr and little Annie Andrew Orr and his sister came here today from California

.. 4 very warm and dry we went to Guelph I bought a bushel of timothy seed paid \$2.50 the Boys finished ploughing the field near the Barn for wheat

.. 5 very warm and dry commenced to sow the wheat I went over to John Smiths on business

6 finished sowing the fall wheat 8 1/2 Acres sowed 16 1/2 bushels it is summerfallow the Red land is too dry and hard to plough cant make a good job



1889

- Sept 6 we went up to Robert Amos with Mother Mary and George Orr I got a Plough Shear and Slip Paid 80 cts
- . 7 we went in Guelfh with Butter and eggs sowed timothy
- . 9 Robert James went up to Gramassa with a load of wood for Peter Beattie Edward Kingesbury started to learn the Blacksmithing with Peter Beattie up in Gramassa Robert Amos Margaret Mary and George Orr came downe here
- . 10 George & Mary Orr went down to Campbellville to see Jane Lizzie went with them
- . 11 I went in to Guelfh with Mary & George Orr George went all way over to his Fathers in Waterloo I bought a pair of shoes for Robert paid \$1.50
- . 13 the weather has ben very warm and dry every thing is very dry we got all the Oats in we have had a great crop
- 12 was at the Aberpoyle Mill with 9 B 54 lb of wheat it was poor weighed 53 lb to the Bushel got 350 lb flour 35 lb to the B it was badly rusted
- . 14 this is a fine day warm in the forenoon the folks are all away to the Sabath School picknicks to the Model Farm except Mother and me I went down to Aberpoyle Postoffice got a letter from Duncan



1889

Sept 16 this day is cold it rained this morning a good bit  
Jane came up on Saturday night and Donald  
went home with her last night it was very dark  
he came home this morning at 5 O'clock the  
Boys were stocking up some corn and fixing  
up the bridge at the creek

" 17 this is a fine day but dull the Boys started to plough  
the back field where the wheat was the ground is  
dry

" 18 this day is cold we went down to Mrs Gelpillans with Mary  
Mrs Bently. Grace Gregor from Michigan came here  
today with her two children on a visit

" 19 this day is cold a fine day for working the Boys are ploughing

" 20 this morning is dull it rained some last night

" 21 this day is cool we went in to Guelph with some Butter  
Robert went over to Waterloo to Mr Orrs with  
Mary and little Annie we went down to ~~Herpough~~  
for Mrs Bently and her children

" 23 this is a fine day I went up to Margarets with  
Mrs Bently and to the Gallbreaths Edward  
has left P Beattie he cant stand Blacksmith<sup>ing</sup>  
he went up to Guelph with hides and tallow  
for Christ he went up for his trunk to Beatties



1889

- Sept 25 this is fine warm dry weather the Boys are burning  
brush back in the Swamp and clearing it up  
Robert is ploughing Lizzyie and me went down to  
Shaw Station with Mrs Bentley and her Children  
they started home for Michigan
- " 26 this day is a little cool Mother and me went in to the  
Guelfh Shaw and to meet Susan and her Children  
they came down on the 4 O'clock train from <sup>Wheaton</sup>  
She has been up in Peppel all Summer John has  
been preaching there he has gone down to Toronto  
to the College Mary came over from Waterloo
- " 27 this is a very cold day I went in to Guelfh in the afternoon  
for Susans trunk Robert finished ploughing in  
the Back field the ground is very dry
- " 28 this is a fine cool day the Boys are clearing up the swamp  
George Orr came over last evening from Waterloo
- " 30 the Boys started to plough the Big flat field I went  
down to Taylors got Jennie the Mass Shod in the front feet
- Oct 1 this day is Showery in the forenoon Edward went  
down to George Amos with George Orr Mary and  
Lizzyie but Mrs Amos is sick then they went over to  
Mr Robbies spent the afternoon he had the  
2 year old salt with him it goes first rate



1889

- Oct 2 this is a fine day we went in to Guelph George Orr left here to go to his Fathers the Boys started to take up the Potatoes got up the Beauty of Helbron nearly 2 wagon loads 13 drills they are in the middle line on the right hand side of the passage
- " 3 this Morning is very dull it rained a good bit in the forenoon cleared up some wheat in the afternoon
- " 4 this day is cold we went in to Guelph with Mary she went down to Galt then she will start home on Monday to California she has been over here for 5 weeks Lizzy went down to Galt with her this is the last day
- " 5 this forenoon is very wet it rained all forenoon and dull and cold all day
- " 6 this is a fine day we were at church it is Sacrament Sabeth Mr Lorraine Preached
- " 7 this day is very cold the Boys are at the Potatoes got in 2 loads
- " 8 a fine day we were at the Ruslinch Show we showed some Potatoes Cabbage Beets and the 2 year old colt
- " 9 a fine day got the Potatoes up but to harrow and plough



1889

- Oct 10 this is a fine day harrowing and ploughing the  
Potatoe land got all the apples gathered in  
only about 2 little basketfulls there are very  
few apples in this part of the country they  
got destroyed with frost on the 29<sup>th</sup> of May
- 11 this is a fine day we went to Guelph with a load of  
Wheat 13 bag 27 B 35 lb only got 70 st per B it only weigh  
54 lb to the Bushel \$19.21 the wheat is poor got rusted
- 12 this is a fine day but a raw cold wind from the east  
finished ploughing and harrowing the Potatoe land  
we had 7 wagon loads they were a fair crop I went  
up to Briley Watsons for a quarter of Beef 100 lb  
paid \$6 a front quarter the thrashing machine  
came here in the evening Peter Flumes
- 13 we were at Church John Little Preached
- 14 a fine warm day we are thrashing Oats & Barley  
I was over as a Judge at the Narragawega Show
- 15 a fine warm day frost every morning we finished  
thrashing we had over 800 Bushels of Oats 385 B  
Barley 33 Spring wheat 86 B Peas we thrashed the  
fall wheat in August 260 Bushels 1600 in all  
this is my birth day 71
- 16 Robert is Ploughing Donald is at Atkinsons thrashing



1889

- Oct 16 Edward went to the Aberpoyl Mill with 13 Bags of Oats and some Peas to Chap Susan and her family went down to Toronto on the early train they are going to live in Toronto John is going to the College
- .. 19 we have very fine weather very dry Robert and Donald is Ploughing Edward has been at Mr Henry's thrashing the last three days
- .. 21 This is a fine day very dry frosty in the morning we are logging back in the swamp Robert is ploughing
- .. 22 This day is dull and cool clearing up a piece of new land back at the creek Robert is ploughing we put up 3 pigs to fatten one of the old sows and 2 young pigs we brought from R Beattie
- .. 23 this is a clear cold day it was very hard frost this morning the Boys could hardly plough in the morning we cleaned up a load of Barley Lizzy and Annie Gilchrist went up to Margaret's
- .. 24 This is a fine Mother and we went in to Guelph to see about the price of Barley Edward is topping turnips
- 25 the weather is dull we went in to Guelph with a load of Barley 47 B 17 lb at home 46 B 47 lb at Guelph got 48 cts per B \$ 22 <sup>54</sup>
- 26 Barley 53 B 46 lb at home 53 B 30 lb at Guelph at 48 cts \$ 25 <sup>74</sup>



1889

- Ost 28 a fine day but cool started to harrow up the turnips and haul them in
- " 29 a fine day busy at the turnips
- " 30 a fine day for the turnips got all the Swede turnips hauled in 31 loads I went in to Guelph I bought a pair of Boots for Donald paid \$2.50
- " 31 This day is dull Robert Fame went down to the Oberpoyle Mill with 16 bags of chop 10 bags of oats & of mixed he paid 6cts per B 96cts he got Doll shod at Taylors
- Nov 1 This day is dull a little light rain in the afternoon the Boys are pulling the white turnips and hauling them in Robert is Ploughing
- " 2 This morning is very foggy and dark it rained a lot in the afternoon Robert was ploughing in the forenoon the Boys got all the Graystone turnips hauled in 11 wagon load the cleaned up some Wheat
- " 4 This is a fine clear day the Boys are Ploughing
- " 6 This is a fine day I went with Lizzie to Guelph it is the fair I bought a pair of Boots for Donald \$2.50
- " 7 fine weather frosty at night and dry this is thanks giving day I was down at Oberpoyle Townhall the Judge has a court for the final revision of the Dominion Voters list



1889

Nov 8 this a fine day cleaned a load of Barley we were up to James Scotts in the evening

" 9 a fine day we were in to Guelph with a load of Barley 54 B 32 lb at home 54 B 8 lb at Alemnans got 48 cts \$26 bought a half Barel of Labradore hearing paid \$375 Mother and Robert went down to Campbellville in the evening train

" 11 this is a very fine day Edward went up with the Caw Mr Gibbon we sold her to Billy Watson for \$36 we are fixing up things about we put the eyes to the ram 14

" 12 this is a very fine day clearing up the new land and hauling rails started to cross plough in the back field but it would not make a good job we stopped

" 13 rained some in the morning I went to Guelph bought a plow shear Donald Bello's time is up he has been here 7 months at \$17 per Month \$119 I paid him \$19 he wants to leave a \$100 for a while with me we put the saw to Robert Beatties Boar

" 14 Robert started to Plough sod in the big flat field it is a fine warm day

" 15 cold and frosty Robert is ploughing



1889

- Nov 16 a fine clear day but very hard frost could not plough the sod till the afternoon Edward went up to the Arkell Mill with 16 bags to chop 9 bats 7 mixed paid 5<sup>cts</sup> per bag
- " 17 a very fine day we were at Church
- " 18 a fine morning frosty changed and rained all afternoon Robert James went over to Blacks Mill for a load of Sawdust for to pack round the tank in the Shed we put in 4 cattle to fatten an old sow and 3 Steers they are small
- " 19 this Morning is dull and Misty all forenoon Robert was ploughing but it rained all afternoon the Boys were fixing round the big tank
- " 20 this day is very dull and Misty all day it is calm and mild Robert was Ploughing
- " 21 this day very dull and soft sort of misty rain all day Robert is Ploughing I went in to Guelph got 4 Gallons of coal Oil at Bonds 15<sup>cts</sup> per Gallon
- " 22 this day is soft light rain I went down to Morriston to the Rev Mr Meldrums Funeral he was 83 years old he was the first we had in Puslinch he married us 48 years ago
- " 23 was at Mrs Robert Cockburns Funeral



1889

- Nov 24 this is a beautiful day was at Church
- " 25 this day is a little cooler some frost Robert is ploughing Edward went up to Arkell Mill with a gris of Wheat 13 B 30 lb got 4 1/2 lb flour 33 lb flour to the B 224 lb Bran and shorts
- 26 this is a very fine day Robert is at Smiths thrashing Edward was at Timings thrashing
- 27 this is a terrible stormy day it snowed a lot and blowed all day the snow is drifted bad it started to rain in the afternoon it is raining steady now at 8 o'clock the Boys are fixing up about the stables
- " 28 this day is not so stormy it is colder there quite a lot of snow
- " 29 it is a fine day cold Murry thrashed in the afternoon we put 5 weather Lambs to feed we have not many Lambs this year
- 30 this is a very fine day I went in to Guelph with Mother she had some chickens I paid taxes \$32<sup>45</sup>
- Dec. 1 this is a fine day sort of soft and raw I got the Mares Doll & Jennie shod at Taylors
- " 2 this day is cold and windy it rained a lot last night got cold and snowed some



1889

- Dec 4 This is a fine day very frosty in the morning down to zero  
Robert James went Guelfh to Herrmans with a load  
of Barley 48 B. 42 lb got 44 cts per B \$ 21.24 I went  
in with Lizzie with the Buggy bought a barrel  
of salt paid \$ 1.50 a keg of 3 in nails at Bonds  
\$ 2.75 an Overcoat for Edward \$ 5 a pair of  
shoes for Robert James \$ 1.50
- " 7 This is a fine day we went in to Guelfh with the  
Buggy fine wheeling
- " 9 I went down to Mrs James Black about Douglas
- " 10 This is a fine Morning but it changed got raw  
and cold wind from the east started to rain  
after 3 O'clock Mather and Me went in to  
Guelfh in the afternoon to Duncan Grahans  
Silver Wedding it got to be a very wet  
night it started to rain when we got to the  
Brock road cold rain from the east we  
went out to Margarets Stopped all night
- " 11 This turned out a fine day after it poured up  
the roads are very bad we got home in the  
afternoon from Margarets
- " 12 we went in to Guelfh this is the Christmas  
fair the streets are very good in the morning  
it froze last night



1889

- Dec 12 I went to the freight station for some dried fruit we got from my Brother John from California 3 barrels and a box dried figs and 3 boxes of dried Grapes one barrel and 20 lb grapes for Robert Orr Waterloo
- " 13 a fine day Robert was Ploughing in the afternoon Edward at Watts thrashing I went to the Postoffice
- " 14 this is a very stormy forenoon out of the east but not much snow Edward at Watts thrashing in the forenoon
- <sup>saw</sup> " 5 The Sows went to Beattie's Boar the second time
- " 15 a fine day we were at the Church Turnbull preached
- " 16 this day is dull it rained some in the afternoon I went in to Guelph to see Guthrie with regard to J Douglas
- " 17 this day is very dull and misty rained some at night we killed 3 pigs one of the Sows and two Spring pigs we bought from R Beattie Durvan Gilchrist helped us I went out in the morning to see J Douglas
- " 18 cutt up the pigs their weight was 309 lb 180 lb 170 lb it is very soft foggy and light rain



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- Dec 19 this is a fine mild day dull Robert is slaughtering sod in the plots I went to Oberfoyle got the mare Jess hood on front feet at Taylors I paid Seate rents \$6 <sup>25</sup>
- " 20 this morning is dull and misty till 11 o'clock then it rained very heavy all afternoon Robert ploughed till near noon ground the sausage
- " 21 this is a fine day frost in the morning I went to Guelph with Lizzy and the Buggie I paid Doctor Arton \$15 for 4 visits and medicine for me when I was sick in July Edward at the Mill with shop 11 B
- " 22 it was very stormy early this morning wind and rain and rain all forenoon and freezing
- " 23 this is a very fine day frost in the morning Robert is ploughing all day Edward went to Murrays with a heifer to the Bull
- " 24 Robert ploughed till 11 o'clock it was raining a little since 9 o'clock but it was very wet all day rained stedy all day and night
- " 25 this is a fine warm day some of the friends here for dinner
- " 26 this day is cool and a terrible wind
- 27 I went in to Guelph on business
- 28 this is a fine warm day Dunbar of Kingsbury was over to see us



1890

Dec 28 we went in to Guelfph with a load of Barley  
50 B 6 lb at home 49 B 38 lb at Hemans got 44 cts  
per B \$ 21.91 bought 500 lb of Bran at Goldies  
paid \$ 2.75 Susan came up from Toronto  
yesterday with her two children

" 29 this is a wet forenoon

30 this is a fine day I was at Oberpogle at the Nominations  
of Councilors

" 31 a fine day I went out to John Douglas then to  
Guelfph got \$ 95 as part of rent from Douglas

1890

Jan 1 this is a very wet day it rained nearly all day  
Mother Susan and Me went up to Margaret's  
to Dinner

" 2 this day is soft it rained nearly all forenoon  
Then cleared up the roads are terrible soft  
Susan and her Children went down to  
Toronto this Morning Lizzie went to Campbell  
vile with her and came home in the evening

" 3 it is cold and frosty the roads are hard

" 4 this is a fine day I went in to Guelfph got all the books  
squared up at the Bank sent \$ 5 to George to  
Bottineau got it registered