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*CALENDAR,*

RATES OF POSTAGE, &c.



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# CALENDAR

## 1869.

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BY RAILROAD,

*From New York to the following places.*

Albany, N. Y.....	144 miles,	5 1-2 hours time.
Baltimore, Md....	188	8 " "
Bangor, Me.....	484	" " "
Boston, Mass.....	236	9 " "
Buffalo, N. Y.....	417	15 " "
Burlington, Vt....	296	13 1-2 " "
Cairo, Ill.....	1,133	60 " "
Charleston, S. C..	829	" " "
Chicago, Ill.....	955	39 " "
Cincinnati, Ohio..	859	33 " "
Cleveland, Ohio...	604	23 " "
Concord, N. H....	270	11 1-2 " "
Detroit, Mich.....	646	25 1-2 " "
Dunkirk, N. Y....	461	17 1-2 " "
Indianapolis, Ind..	969	38 " "
Iowa City, Iowa...1,136	"	52 " "
Memphis, Tenn...1,376	"	60 " "
Milwaukee, Wis...1,000	"	42 1-2 " "
Montgomery, Ala..1,236	"	52 " "
Montreal, Can....	400	20 1-2 " "
New Orleans, La..1,495	"	72 " "
Newport, R. I.....	218	9 " "
Portland, Me.....	347	14 " "
Philadelphia, Pa...	90	4 " "
Pittsburg, Pa.....	443	16 1-2 " "
Richmond, Va....	356	18 1-2 " "
Savannah, Ga.....	933	" " "
St. Louis, Mo.....1,145	"	51 " "
St. Joseph, Mo....1,429	"	64 " "
Washington, D. C.	226	10 " "
Wheeling, Va.....	567	25 " "



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Friday, January 1, 1869.

# THE Ontario Diary

FOR 1869,

CONTAINING

RATES OF POSTAGE,

TABLE OF STAMP DUTIES,

Law Terms, Bank Holidays,

LIST OF SUNDAYS, &c.

AND

Everything contained in American Diaries.

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Interest made payable at the maturity of any Bill, etc., shall be counted as part of the principal sum.

Stamps must be cancelled at the time of affixing the same, by writing or stamping thereon the date.

The stamps for Notes, etc., to be affixed by the maker or drawer; and in case of any Draft or Bill of Exchange drawn out of this Province, by the acceptor or first indorser.

### BANK HOLIDAYS.

ONTARIO—New Year's Day; Ash Wednesday; Good Friday; Easter Monday; Queen's Birth-Day; Christmas Day.

QUEBEC—New Year's Day; Epiphany; Annunciation; Good Friday; Ascension; Corpus Christi; St. Peter's; St. Paul's; All Saints; Conception; Christmas; and Queen's Birth-Day; also, any day appointed by Proclamation for a General Fast or Thanksgiving.

### LIST OF SUNDAYS IN 1869.

January	3	10	17	24	31
February	7	14	21	28	
March	7	14	21	28	
April	4	11	18	25	
May	2	9	16	23	30
June	6	13	20	27	
July	4	11	18	25	
August	1	8	15	22	29
September	5	12	19	26	
October	3	10	17	24	31
November	7	14	21	28	
December	5	12	19	26	

According to the route by which they are sent, and the proper information can be obtained of any Postmaster in the United States.

Was cold and stormy, spent the day at Mr. Mason's pleasantly, had a sleigh ride in the evening to Derry West.

Saturday 2

Nothing particular taking place, was working hard all day, threshing peas with the flail.

Sunday 3

Went to Sunday School in the morning and heard J. C. Snell read a good letter from our superintendent exhorting the scholars to trust in Jesus. Was at "Zion" in the afternoon.

Monday, January 4, 1869.

There was a change in the weather today and the snow has nearly all disappeared. Spent the day hauling firewood, was at Brampton in the evening for medicine for my aunt Mrs. Peacock.

Tuesday 5

Was building a fence in the bush on the "other place", and was at the Division at night and had a very good meeting although the attendance was small.

Wednesday 6

The thaw still continues so that there is little or no sleighing. Was engaged in splitting rails at the "other place". Jane was at our place all day and John L. came down in the evening.

Thursday, January 7, 1869.

The weather to day was very pleasant. Was at the same kind of work as yesterday. Took Jane home in the evening and spent it at their place.

Friday 8

In the morning was in Brampton at Mrs. J. D. Armstrong's funeral and heard Mr. McFadden preach an affecting sermon. The evening set in very stormy so that I spent it at home in reading.

(to Mr. A. Saturday 9 Drinkwater  
(Miss E. Cheyne was married yesterday.)  
The snow storm of last evening has turned into rain this morning and the thaw continues. Nothing particular has transpired today, was engaged in building fence, in the evening made preparations for Sunday.

Sunday, January 10, 1869.

Was at Sunday school in the morning  
our superintendent was absent had  
two new scholars in my class.

Went to Zion in the afternoon but  
we were disappointed of a preacher, and  
spent the evening at home.

Monday 11

Was chopping cordwood all day. Went  
to the teachers prayer meeting in the  
evening, there were only three present  
still we had a good meeting and it is  
the earnest prayer of the teachers that  
God would revive his work in the school.

Tuesday 12

The weather today was very fine the  
sun shining brightly all day, was  
at the same kind of work as  
yesterday, went to the division in  
the evening as there were only three of  
the members present the division was not open.

Wednesday, January 13, 1869.

The weather to day was quite  
warm and pleasant, was engaged  
in splitting the last oak tree on  
the "other place" into stakes.  
Spent the evening at home.

Thursday 14

The weather continues very fine so  
that the winter so far has been  
unusually pleasant, was at the  
same work as yesterday. Nearly  
every member of our family is sick  
with colds except myself.

Friday 15

In the forenoon was hauling out  
manure around the old apple trees  
went to Brampton in the afternoon  
and beside the other newspapers  
obtained a copy of the Weekly  
Telegraph this paper contains a great  
deal of reading matter.



Saturday, January 16, 1869.

My father has been <sup>so</sup> very sick today with a bad cold that he was confined to the house. John C. brought Jane down this morning and she spent the day with us. (J. C. has also been very sick all this week). Mr. Smith & Mr. Nickels came up and spent the evening at our place.

Sunday 17

Was at Sunday school this morning Mr. Millard occupied the whole time of the school in talking about Sunday school missionary work and that Mr. McQuinn's application to be missionary has been accepted. Went to Zion this afternoon and heard Mr. Sutherland preach about holiness.

Monday 18

Put the load of clover hay for seed on the waggon and hauled it over to Mr. Mason's for to be thrashed. Went to the teacher's prayer meeting in the evening, there were five present and we had a profitable meeting. Mr. Millard read a portion of scripture and <sup>gave</sup> a short sermon on it.

Tuesday, January 19, 1869.

Nothing particular took place today. The sick folks have all got better again. Went to the division this evening, there being no one present but myself I went over and spent the evening at J. C. Snell's

Wednesday 20

Went to the Gore Mills with a grist and peas & oats for to be chopped, Mr. Mason was there distributing the Bills for his sale which takes place on the second of February.

Thursday 21

Nothing particular took place today. The Sunday School Convention is going on in Streeterville yesterday and today. Spent the evening at home as usual.



Friday, January 22, 1869.

Was ~~building~~ engaged in building  
cush fence (all day) at the "other place"  
Mr. K. Chisholm called here at noon  
to see about hauling gravel on the  
Centre Road and arranged to start  
next week. Went to Uncle Adam's  
this evening and accepted the Melrose  
Agency.

Saturday 23

The weather continues warm and  
the roads are getting dry & dusty.  
Nothing particular took place  
~~today~~ today was hauling wood and  
rails. Received a letter from Uncle  
Thomas this evening, he is doing well  
{ in business.

Sunday 24

Was at Sunday School this morning.  
Mr. Willard had a nice illustration  
of the lesson 24<sup>th</sup> Chap Joshua. Went  
to Zion in the afternoon the Rev. W. B.  
Hether preached the missionary  
sermon. J. C. Snell & wife were down  
and spent the evening at our place.

Monday, January 25, 1869.

Father shot our dog "Rover"  
this morning. Went to Mr.  
Mason's this afternoon to help  
to thrash the seed out of the  
clover hay. He has Mr.  
Dolson's clover mill hired.

Tuesday 26

Was at the same work as  
yesterday. Went to the division  
this evening as there were only  
five present the division was  
not opened.

Wednesday 27

Finished the threshing that I  
have been engaged in. we have  
about 3 bush. of seed and Mr.  
Mason nearly 50. Went to Missionary  
meeting in Zion this evening the  
attendance was small. Mr. Rev.  
Cochrane of Toronto & Rev. W. Ladden  
addressed the meeting.

Thursday, January 28, 1869.

Nothing particular took place today. Jane came down last night and is going to spend two days with us. Went to Missionary Meeting at Hope Chapel to night, the house was nearly full and Mr. H. Elliot was chairman and three P. M. ministers addressed the meeting.

Friday 29

Was at Rev. W. McFadden's wood bee hauling sawed wood from Mr. P. Kottby's to the parsonage.

J. C. S. called for Jane this evening and took her home. Mrs. Fletcher Hall died on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> and will be buried to morrow.

Saturday 30

This afternoon was engaged in hauling gravel from E. Bunting's pit on the Centre Road. Met Mr. Snell's carriage coming from the funeral and Sarah looked at me so pleasantly that she almost won me over again.

Sunday, January 31, 1869.

Went to Sunday School in the morning the attendance was small, went to Mr. Mason's for dinner and to Zion this afternoon and heard Rev. W. McFadden preach about the four kinds of fools mentioned in the Bible.

Monday, February 1

The last month has been remarkable for warm & pleasant weather there has been little or no snow and the roads have been dry and dusty.

Was engaged all day in hauling gravel to the Centre Road.

Tuesday 2

Went to Mr. Mason's sale in the morning and acted as clerk all day. He had a very good sale and amounted to about \$1700. Staid all night at Mr. Mason's. The evening set in with a snow storm.

Wednesday, February 3, 1869.

This morning is very stormy and there has fallen nearly a foot of snow. Spent the forenoon in straitening Mr. Mason's accounts. Went to the surprise party at Mr. J. Wiggins this evening did not enjoy myself as dancing occupied <sup>the whole time, got home</sup> ~~the whole time~~ about 3 o'clock the party broke

Thursday 4 up at four

The weather today is cold and blustering, there is good sleighing now. Nothing particular took place today, spent the evening at home. {On the 30th January sold 6 sheep (4 ewes and 2 ram lambs) @ \$7 and \$6 a piece to a man from Ohio.}

Friday 5

Went over to Mr. Mason's this forenoon with a sleigh and brought over their luggage to be sent to Missouri. Was at Brampton this afternoon and bought a new watch from W. A. Mitchell for \$20.

Saturday, February 6, 1869.

The weather is mild today. Was engaged in hauling firewood and rails. Uncle Adam sent away his luggage and Mr. Mason's by freight. Willy Mason brought his horse "Titus" over to Uncle Adam's and is going to spend <sup>two or three weeks at</sup> ~~at~~ <sup>Cambridge</sup> ~~at~~ <sup>yet.</sup>

Sunday 7

Went to S. School in the morning subject of lessons, "The unfortunate widow, Luke VIII." Mr. Willard was present and distributed the January number of "Children's paper" Mr. M. Shipley was up this afternoon and we went to Brampton church to <sup>night.</sup>

Monday 8

Was at Brampton with a load of spring wheat received 92 cts per bush. Received by mail a copy of Dr. Collick's new medical book. Went to teacher's prayer meeting this evening the attendance small had a good <sup>meeting</sup>



Tuesday, February 9, 1869.

The weather continues very mild. Was engaged in hauling gravel to the Centre Road. Mr. Mason came home today from Ohio. Spent the evening at Uncle Adams with "W. Mason and Anne Buchanan.

Wednesday 10

Took Mr. Mason & William Large down to the station early this morning in the waggon on their way to Missouri. Was at the same occupation as <sup>on</sup> yesternight. J. C. Snell and wife were down and spent the evening at our place.

Thursday 11

The roads are now quite muddy. Am still hauling gravel on the road. Jane stayed with us all day and J. C. S. came down this evening and we all visited Uncle Adams. Mr. P. Graham's hotel and stables in Brampton were burnt down to night.

Friday, February 12, 1869.

The weather today is like Spring and we had a slight shower of rain this morning. Was at the same work as yesterday having now more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a lot gravelled. Spent the evening at home in reading the "Ladies' Repository".

Saturday 13

There was some slight showers of rain today. Went to Georgetown this morning and then to Stewarttown trying to sell Melodeons did not make any sales. The night has set in with a rain storm.

Sunday 14

The weather is very stormy today snow and sleet from the East. On account of the weather spent the day at home in reading. The storm continues after dark. This is the first Sunday of '69 that I have spent entirely at home.

Monday, February 15, 1869.

Was engaged in hauling elm cordwood on the sleigh to Brampton for Haggert and Bros hauled 3 cords today for which we receive \$2 per cord in trade. Spent the evening at home in reading the newspapers

Tuesday 16

The weather to day is pretty cold with frequent snow squalls. Was engaged at the same work as yesterday. Spent the evening at home. R. P. Snell and Esther Higgins were at Uncle Adam's to night visiting Willy Mason.

Wednesday 17

It has turned warmer to day and the snow is fast disappearing. Was at the same work as yesterday. Spent this evening at Uncle Adam's and received Mr. Mason's notes to keep them till next fall.

Thursday, February 18, 1869.

Finished hauling wood to Brampton for Haggert Bros having hauled 11 cords @ \$2 Mrs. Prueman & Mrs. Leatherstone were up and spent the day at our place and went home to night

Friday 19

The weather to day was cold and blustering. Uncle Joseph Dixon came down from Amaranth this afternoon. Uncle Adam brought his notes over today. Was at Mr. R. Lowes's social to night had a pleasant time

Saturday 20

<sup>3</sup> Uncle George Burke and wife came up yesterday on a visit. Went to Brampton in the afternoon and put an advertisement in the Peel Banner respecting the melodeon agency to be left in for four months - price \$3.



Sunday, February 21, 1869.

Very stormy morning went to S. School. Mr. Millard first used the blackboard subject the rich man and Lazarus. Went to J. E. Snells with Peckering folks this afternoon and with them & Uncle Adams to Uncle Williams to night. Met Bella Lowes there and had a pleasant time

Monday 22

Uncle Adams folks were busy all day packing up for to start to morrow morning. I took their baggage to the station this evening. Jane was down and spent the day at home and I drove her and J. E. home in

Tuesday 23

Willy & Johnny Mason slept with me the last night of their stay in Canada. It was very stormy this morning was up very early and drove the Missouri folks down to the station. The storm passed away this afternoon and it is a beautiful moonlight night.

Wednesday, February 24, 1869.

The weather is very cold and stormy and I am afraid that the Missouri folks will be delayed by the snow obstructing the cars. Drove Sarah Peacocke up to J. E. Snells last night (where she is hired) and spent the evening there

Thursday 25

Nothing particular took place today on account of the bad weather. Went to Brampton Baptists S. S. Anniversary the number present was not as large as usual Miss Lowes presided at the Tab. Organ. Received 3 copies of the

Friday 26

Went to Brampton this afternoon and purchased 8 bush. of Corn @ 40 cents per bush. also received my first letter from Andrus Bros promising to send me a number of price lists

Saturday, February 27, 1869.

The coldest day we have had this season. Was engaged in threshing peas all day.

Spent the evening at home in reading the newspapers and preparing for Sunday

Sunday 28

Went to Sunday School in the morning and Mr. Jordan questioned the school on the lesson Judg. VII. Was at the P. M. Church Brampton and heard Mr. Boyle preach text - Romans XV, 13, their new organ is louder & harsher than in W. M. Church

Monday, March 1

The forepart of this month was very mild but the latter part has been cold and stormy and at present there is a good deal of snow on the ground. Went to the S. P. Meeting this evening there was an average attendance of 70. Mr. M. not present had a very good meeting

Tuesday, March 2, 1869.

Was engaged in hauling gravel with the sleigh mine being the only team at it. Went to the Division (to night) which broke down) there were only 8 present the funds are to be deposited in the P. O. Savings Bank.

Wednesday 3

Finished hauling gravel to day having hauled 7 days in all. Went to Brampton this evening and heard Mr. Kennedy the Scotch Vocalist, in the Court House which was very much crowded, was well pleased, the entertainment which lasted 2 1/2 hrs.

Thursday 4

This has been a very cold day. Was engaged in feeding stock and cutting stoverwood. It is just 4 years to day since my conversion and I regret that I have grown colder in religion than I ought to. This Sarah Snell's birthday age 20

Friday, March 5, 1869.

Went to Brampton this forenoon and brought home my mother who staid all night at Uncle Williams. Drove her up in the cutter to J. C. Snell's this afternoon and had a look at Mr. Snell's stock, they are in a good condition.

Saturday 6

The weather still continues very cold and blustering. Nothing particular took place today was engaged in cutting stove-wood. Spent the evening at home.

Sunday 7

Was at S. School this morning Mr. Millard was present and used the blackboard subject - Christ and the young. Went to Zion in the afternoon and heard Mr. Walker preach text - Deut. IV, 9. There were only ten present.

Monday, March 8, 1869.

Was engaged in threshing peas all day. Father went to Christophers Mills with a gist of 23 bush of mixed fall and spring wheat. Went to the Teachers Prayer meeting this evening there only four present including Mr. Millard.

Tuesday 9

There is a great change in the weather to day turning quite warm. Jane and Mrs. J. Snell were down this afternoon visiting. Instead of freezing to night it is thawing. Spent the evening at home.

Wednesday 10

Very stormy all day from the North-East considerable snow has fallen and the side roads are nearly blocked up. Drove my sisters over to school this morning and brought them back this evening in the sleigh.



Thursday, March 11, 1869.

The storm of yesterday has cleared off leaving the snow in huge drifts. Had at the same occupation as yesterday namely - driving the children to school. Spent the evening in writing Walter

Friday 12 McCellan, Alton

Went to Brampton this afternoon and saw a letter that Aunt Anne had received from Uncle John who is now in St. Jo. Brought over the scholars and took Mary Nichols home in the sleigh

Saturday 13

Was employed this forenoon in breaking in a colt - "Polly" - who is 2 year old next spring, had very little trouble with her. Alex came up this afternoon which is the first time for six months. Elizabeth is going to live in Toronto.

Sunday, March 14, 1869.

Very stormy morning. Did not go to Sunday School but drove Alex up to J. C. Snell's and spent the day there. Took Alex part of the way home in the cutter, and heard Mr. McFadden preach in Brampton at six o'clock text - John 4-14

Monday 15

Went to old Mrs. Bunting's funeral today she was buried in the old cemetery Brampton. Mr. McFadden preached an excellent sermon from 2 Peter 3rd Chap. 4 she was 83 years of age. Was at the teachers prayer meeting to night there were only 3 present.

Tuesday 16

Was engaged in hauling gravel on the Centre Road, it being now finished up to the blacksmith's shop. Mr. and Mrs. R. Nickols were up and spent the evening at our place.

Wednesday, March 17, 1869.

The weather continues very cold and there is about 2 feet of snow on the ground. Went to the Gore Mills to day with  $\frac{1}{2}$  bush. of corn, peas, and oats, <sup>mixed</sup> for chopping. Spent the evening at J. C. Snell's. Received a letter from Uncle Adam in Missouri.

Thursday 18.

Was engaged in enrolling the militia for the west half of the township from No 10 to No 22. which is one half of No 6 Company Division. Joseph Snell is now engaged in enrolling the east half. Commenced on C Road and finished <sup>to</sup> the 2<sup>nd</sup> line.

Friday 19

Finished enrolling the militia to day which has been a disagreeable job on account of the deep snow which is now nearly 2 feet on the level and very much drifted. Spent the evening at J. C. Snell's and gave him the enrollment as he is Captain

Saturday, March 20, 1869.

Went to Brampton this after noon and my mother received a letter from Aunt Jennie and ~~me~~ a letter addressed to Uncle Adam from Schomberg. Mother went up and is going to stay all night at J. C. S.

Sunday 21

Went to Sunday School this morning Mr. Millard illustrated the lesson Matt XX to the 18<sup>th</sup> verse on the blackboard. Was at Zion in the afternoon and heard W. Brosfield preach text - Watch therefore - J. C. S. and wife & S. Peacock spent the day at our place.

Monday 22

Finished thrashing our peas to day which have not turned out very well. Was cold and windy all day from the east set in storming this evening. Spent it at home in reading Sunday School libraries.



Tuesday, March 23, 1869.

The storm of last night has passed leaving 4 inches more of snow. Was at Brampton this morning. Spent the evening in writing <sup>to</sup> Uncle Adam. Father and mother spent the afternoon on the 3<sup>rd</sup> line east at Joshua Mode

Wednesday 24

Land

Was engaged in threshing oats with the flail. We had a visit today from Isaac Modeland, his mother and wife. Went to Brampton this evening and mailed a letter to Osborn Missouri.

Thursday 25

Was busy all day in hauling gravel to No 10 and putting it in a heap for use next summer on the C. Road, hauled 14 loads. Spent the evening at home

Friday, March 26, 1869.

There was a great change in the weather today it being very misty and some heavy <sup>or</sup> showers of rain. Was up at J. E. Snell's this evening and received a copy of Ashworth's Strange Tales from him for to read

Saturday 27

Is a bright beautiful day and the snow is thawing very fast. Mr. Nixon from Albion and his son stopped at our place this morning on their way home from Missouri, I drove them as far as Pullamore in the sleigh. They are well pleased with the country.

Sunday 28

Went to D. School this morning in the cutter with 3 of my sisters and Polly the lesson was in the 10<sup>th</sup> Chap. of 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel. Heard Mr. Sutherland preach in Zion this afternoon text Matt XVIII. 6. Uncle William & Aunt Lizzie were up this afternoon at our place.

Monday, March 29, 1869.

Very wet day raining steadily all the time from the east.

Was engaged in hauling manure around the young apple trees.

Mrs. J. C. Snell gave birth to a daughter to day. Spent the evening in reading "Ashworth" which is very interesting.

Tuesday 30

The weather to day was quite warm with frequent showers so that the "Etobicoke" is overflowing its banks. Was busy part of the time in taking away the snow from the mouth of the <sup>house</sup> cellar drain, which closed it up not allowing the water to escape.

Wednesday 31

Was engaged in cutting stove wood. This month on the whole has been unusually cold and stormy, and I think there is more snow on the ground at present than there has been for 2 years beside being nearly as cold as January.

Thursday, April 1, 1869.

Was busy all day sawing cord-wood with the bucksaw for summer use. Father and mother went up to J. C. Snell's to day to see the new corner. Spent the evening at home & father wrote to Uncle Thomas.

Friday 2

The weather continues cold and disagreeable. Was at the same work as yesterday. We had a visit this evening from (big) Joshua Modeland who has been out in Iowa two weeks in January. He thinks it a good farming country.

Saturday 3

Went to Brampton this afternoon on horseback as the roads are very rough and received a <sup>long</sup> letter from Alex. Walked up to J. C. Snell's this evening across the fields on the crust of the snow and saw for the first time their daughter.

Sunday, April 4, 1869.

Was at Sunday School this morning, Mr. Millard was absent and Mr. Jordan examined the school on the lesson - Matt. XX 17 to 30<sup>th</sup>.  
Went to Zion in the afternoon but was disappointed in the absence of S. Holby.  
Spent the evening at home in reading.  
a. S. S. Library.

Monday 5

Was engaged in sawing cordwood with the bucksaw and washing the young apple trees with soap suds to kill the lice. Drove mother up to G. C. S. in the buggy this evening and returned Ashworth. Jane is getting quite better and her baby is growing fast.

Tuesday 6

The snow is gradually disappearing. Was at the same work as yesterday woodsawing. Spent the evening in writing a letter to Alex who is expecting one in four days from the time I received his. Our fodder for the stock is getting scarce.

Wednesday, April 7, 1869.

Was at the same work as yesterday. Father went to Brampton this afternoon and received two newspapers from Aunt Jennie (a weekly Carthage & Spiritualist pub. <sup>in</sup> Chicago). Spent the evening at John Searmont's my first visit - passed in general conversation.

Thursday 8

Am still at the same work. My mother was up at G. C. Snell's this afternoon with Aunt Annie, Jane is getting quite well. John Searmont was over this evening and we had a pleasant chat, he condemns the idea of going to the States.

Friday 9

Went to the bush to day and tapped 30 maple trees and was busy all day at it, and making sap troughs. The sap ran very fast and we obtained a good many pails of it. J. Searmont was over and spent the evening at our place.



Saturday, April 10, 1869.

Was at the same work as yesterday and commenced boiling sap this morning with two pots and made over a gallon of molasses, beside tapping 10 more trees. Aunt Anne has received another letter from Uncle John, he has made up his mind to stay in Missouri and buy a farm.

Sunday 11

Went to S. School this morning on foot (roads are getting dry) Mrs. M. was there and used the blackboard - Lesson - 1st Sam. III chap. I received a copy of the C. Messenger from J. V. Snell. Was at Zion this afternoon Mr. McFadden preached text Hosea X 12 verse. Spent the evening at home.

Monday 12

Started early this morning (1/2 past 5) and was busy all day boiling sap and tapping, have 50 trees tapped made 7 gts of molasses. Went to F. Prayer meeting this evening there were only 3 of the teachers present beside Mr. S. Watson's 3 children.

Tuesday, April 13, 1869.

Was at the same work as yesterday. There is a good deal of snow on the ground yet around the fences and in the lanes. The days are warm and very frosty nights. Spent the evening at home in reading Dr. Guthrie's "Our Father's Business."

Wednesday 14

Was at the same work as yesterday and made ten pounds of sugar. Went up to J. L. Snell's this evening and gave them a small cake of sugar, and was also up to Mr. John Snell's and gave them another small cake. Received a letter from Staid all night at J. L. Snell's. Uncle Adam

Thursday 15

Our hired boy Samuel Bunting spent the day in the bush in boiling sap while I sawed wood and helped father dock the sheep. Joseph G. Snell started for Kentucky this morning and intends staying there until Christmas, he will be very much missed at home.

Friday, April 16, 1869.

Was engaged in sawing wood, the saw has nearly quit running. Uncle William & Aunt Lizzie came up this afternoon and had a good feed of maple molasses and sugar. Spent the evening at home.

Saturday 17

Went to Brampton this afternoon they are busy enlarging the post office and making a great many more letter boxes, for the first time I saw a velocipede belonging to Mr. Mahaffey it requires a great deal of practice to ride one.

Sunday 18

This is my birthday being 18 years old. It is a very nice day and the roads almost dusty but as I have a boil on the back of my neck I have to stay in the house all day. This is the second Sunday that I have spent entirely at home this year.

Monday, April 19, 1869.

About 1 o'clock this morning we had a heavy thunder storm and has raised the Etobicoke very high and carrying away a number of swing poles. It is very close and warm today and the grass is commencing to grow. Was sawing wood.

Tuesday 20

It has been a very wet day but it keeps warm. Father took a load of spring wheat to Brampton today and received 85 cents per bush bought 6 bush of peas at the same price. Mr. William Carter was plowing which is the first done this season.

Wednesday 21

Finished sawing wood today, we have about 24 cords of wood split up into stove wood. J. C. Snell brought Aunt Mary Peacock down today from his place. Spent the evening at home in reading.



Thursday, April 22, 1869.

Was engaged in building fence on the "other place" between us and John Learmont, making it with stakes at the corners and wires instead of caps. Spent the evening at home in reading a daily paper from St. Joseph, Missouri.

Friday 23

Commenced ploughing sod today it was pretty soft. We sowed a ten acre meadow field with plaster. Spent the evening at John Learmonts in reading "How Bells" and talking about things in general. It is a beautiful

Moonlight night.

Saturday 24

Was at the same work as yesterday. Father and another went to Brampton this afternoon and received a newspaper from Uncle Thomas, published in Carthage. Spent the evening at home.

Sunday, April 25, 1869.

Spent the day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> line east at Isaac A. Modelands, drove Aunt Mary Raevick over there and Polly, had a pleasant time, it being the first time I have been on the place for 13 years. Came home in the evening.

Monday 26

Was busy all day in plowing sod. Father sowed 4 acres of oats this is the first seeding we have done this year. John Learmont and his sister they were over and spent the evening at our place. They are pretty good company.

Tuesday 27

Was at the same work as yesterday and have now about 5 acres plowed. The weather continues very fine with occasional showers. Spent the evening at home in reading the newspapers.

Wednesday, April 28, 1869.

Went to Brampton this morning to the spring fair and received the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for our bull "Clifton" there was a pretty good show of stock and implements also a horse hay fork for loading hay in the field, being fastened to the sowed our carrot seed wagon.

Thursday 29

The weather continues fine and a good growth. Was engaged in sowing oats this forenoon, commenced sowing barley this afternoon. Spent the evening at J. C. Snell's in reading and conversation, walked over there through the fields. got home at 10.30

Friday 30

Was engaged in sowing barley. Jane, Mrs. Snell and Kizzie were down on a visit. Miss Graham from Toronto Sp. was here for me to go down and repair their Melodion I intend going after seeding. - This month has been rather backward compared with last spring but it cannot be called a very late spring.

Saturday, May 1, 1869.

There is a change in the weather today a cold rain from the east which is turning to snow. Was engaged this forenoon in cultivating the barley ground. Went to Brampton this afternoon and mailed a letter to Uncle Adair. Spent the evening at home.

Sunday 2

Went to Sunday School this morning the attendance was small on account of bad weather, our Supt. was absent subject - Luke XIX 1 to 10. Was at Zion this afternoon the congregation was small - 9 - (A. Bowsfield disappointed). Spent the evening at home in reading about Calvin.

Monday 3

Was engaged in harrowing the barley ground and plowing sod. Isaac A. Modeland and his wife were over all afternoon at our place they brought Aunt Mary over and are going to keep Lily for some time. Spent the evening at home. The last of our green apples were eaten.

Tuesday, May 4, 1869.

The weather has been quite cool since the rain of last Saturday and there is quite hard frosts at night. Was engaged in sowing clover and timothy seed on the barley ground. Mother walked across the fields to J. C. Snell's today. Spent the evening at home.

Wednesday 5

Finished rolling the barley field. We constructed a home-made spear with wrought nails and speared eleven suckers in about an hour averaging two lbs. each, in the Etobicoke. Spent the evening at home as usual in reading.

Thursday 6

Was engaged in plowing sod. Bought 420 lbs of hay of William Heath @ \$1/4 per ton our hay and straw being nearly all fed up. Sarah Peacock came down from J. C. Snell and went to Brampton. Spent the evening in reading the April number of Ladies Repository.

Friday, May 7, 1869.

Plowed our peas to day on the sod plowed this spring. The weather is now quite warm and the buds are beginning to swell. Spent the evening at home as usual in reading general literature. We got a letter from Uncle Taylor this week, he has removed to Lakesville.

Saturday 8

Finished seeding to day. Went to Brampton this afternoon and bought a new coat @ \$8.50 also a pair of gaiters @ \$4.50. Spent part of the time in the "Banner" store, and in J. C. Wood Barber shop. Spent the evening at home.

Sunday 9

Went to Quarterly Meeting this morning and heard Mr. McFadden preach, text - Hebrews. 12<sup>th</sup> Chap. 1, 2. Spent the afternoon and evening at Aunt Emeline's with D. M. G. Armstrong and J. Harris, D. it is some time since I have been there before.



Monday, May 10, 1869.

Was engaged in digging and preparing the garden, we have nearly all the garden vegetables planted and sowed. The horse chestnuts we planted last fall are coming up and growing fast. Mrs. Snell and Jane called at our place this evening on their way home from Lizzie Burnett commenced <sup>work to day.</sup> <sup>Brampton.</sup>

Tuesday 11

The weather has turned very warm and the spring grain is all up green. Was engaged in rolling the meadow and planting early potatoes. Bought 280 lbs of hay of Mr. J. Heath making  $\frac{1}{2}$  ton.

We turned out our cows on the grass. Turned our cattle on the grass for the first

Wednesday 12

Was engaged in picking stones off the Alike clover meadow and finished planting our early potatoes. We sold "Old Jim" to James Sewell for  $\$18$ . He sold her to Jo. Anthony for a silver watch worth  $\$18$ . Spent the evening at J. Searmonts. (Miss Julia Heath was married today.)

Thursday, May 13, 1869.

Finished digging our garden and pruning and manuring the fruit trees. Commenced raining this afternoon with thunder. Went to Brampton this evening after my mother who was at Aunt Anne's visiting. She (A. A.) intends starting for <sup>Missouri on June 1st</sup>

Friday 14

J. C. Snell and wife came down and spent the day at our place it being the first anniversary of their wedding. Was ploughing S. Bunting's garden this afternoon. Spent the evening at home in reading the Globe. Jane stayed all night with us on account of the rain.

Saturday 15

Was hauling manure on the turnip ground this forenoon and washed the sheep this afternoon. S. Bunting sen. helped me we have <sup>26</sup> Drove Jaul home this evening in the Suggy and took her 3 hens and 1 cock. K. F. Snell was there a while, got home at 10 o'clock.



Sunday, May 16, 1869.

Commenced raining about seven o'clock this morning and lasted until ten so that I did not get to S. School. Went to farm this afternoon there were 8 present and no preacher. Was at Brampton this evening and heard D. G. Sutherland preach Psalm CXXXIX, 7 to 10 verse.

Monday 17

It has turned quite cold since the rain and some frost at night. Was hauling manure on the turnip ground, hauled 14 loads to the six-acre field across the creek. Spent the evening at home in reading the "Youths Magazine" of 1844 A.D.

Tuesday 18

Planted out some early tomatoe plants and got a load of spring wheat ready for market. Sowed some plaster on the barley which looks very well and promises a nice even crop of sixteen acres.

Wednesday, May 19, 1869.

Went to the Gore Mills this forenoon in the waggon & bush of peas & oats for chopping. Rode down to Alek's on 'Frank' this afternoon & called at Mr. Thos. Graham for to repair a melodeon. Staid all night at Alek's who is keeping "Bachelor's hall"

Thursday 20

He has bought a French mare for \$85. He is now living on the 3rd line east at Mr. Charles and is comfortably situated. Came home through Brampton this morning and got a new glass for my watch. Father & mother were up to G. C. In this afternoon and brought me \$10 for enrolling the militia.

Friday 21

Was plowing all day at Mr. Gumerson for barley and J. Seannent was also plowing. The Royal Canadian Bank suspended payment this morning, we had only \$2, they are worth 80 cents apiece. Spent the evening in reading the "Sea News"

Saturday, May 22, 1869.

We sheared our sheep this forenoon, J Learment helping us there were 3 of us shearing, the fleeces averaged 7 lbs apiece. Went to Brampton this afternoon and bought some every-day summer clothing. Spent the evening reading the <sup>London</sup> Illustrated News <sup>Sunday 23</sup>

Went to S. School this morning the supt. was absent, there was a large school - lesson, <sup>1st</sup> Samuel XVIII Yonseto 9. Was at Zion this afternoon and heard Mr. Russell our new preacher text J. C. S. and wife came down and spent the evening at our place. <sup>Monday 24</sup>

Spent the day in the bush around Eldorado Mills shooting, with William Woods & Dawson & Nodeland, had a splendid boat ride on the Credit river. Took dinner & tea at J. H. Meain's, on the whole I enjoyed the day's sport very well.

Tuesday, May 25, 1869.

Yesterday and today has been pretty warm. Finished plowing the turnip and potato ground to day. Aunt Anne came here this evening on her farewell visit before going to Missouri. I felt very tired after yesterday's tramp. Spent the evening at home.

Wednesday 26

Was hauling manure on the potato ground putting it in the drills. It is quite cool again. The last two days have been the warmest of the season. John Newhouse called here to day he is going to Missouri next week.

Thursday 27

Planted our potatoes to day, three four kinds - Early White, Cuppa Garnet Chili and Peach Blows. We also planted a few rows of corn. Was very sorry to hear of the Rev. R. L. Gabrie's suicide caused by too hard study at college, he shot himself with a pistol.

Friday, May 28, 1869.

Commenced working on the roads this morning but the afternoon was very wet and is raining still this evening. All the garden fruit-trees are well loaded with blossoms.

Father was in Toronto on the cars for to change Aunt Annies money into greenbacks.

Saturday 29

It is warm and pleasant after the rain and there is a good growth.

Went to Brampton with 33 bush of spring wheat @ 82 cts per bush. I saw Alex and had a talk with him. Bought a copy of Bow Bells for May and Lovell's Geography.

Sunday 30

Went to S. School this morning our supt. was absent. Lesson Matt XX 1-17. Was at Zion this afternoon and heard Mr. John Watson preach text - Luke 13<sup>th</sup> Chap 24. Went to John Snell's den. and spent the evening pleasantly with the girls. Staid all night at J. C. Snell's

Monday, May 31, 1869.

Was hauling gravel on the Centre Road with the waggow, drew 12 loads. There were some nice showers of rain to day and all the grain is growing very fast. Mr. George Elliot was buried yesterday with military honours.

Tuesday, June 1

Was engaged in using the road-scraper this forenoon and finished the road work. I drove over to Mr. M. Cation's in the buggy with a beehive for to get a swarm into it, the hive will be left there until fall. Spent the evening at home.

Wednesday 2

Commenced hauling manure on the summer fallow hauled 25 loads, James Sewell helped me to haul it. It has been a very warm day. J. C. Snell and wife came down this evening and are going to stay all night.



Thursday, June 3, 1869.

Was at the same work as yesterday and hauled the same number of loads. The weather during the month of May has been very favorable for the crops.

Was down at E. Buntings this evening jumping with some of the boys I jumped 14 feet.

Friday 4

J. C. Snell and wife went home early this morning. Done the same amount of work as yesterday. I went to J. C. S. this evening and took them a cow. Sarah Snell was there during the evening. Staid all night up there.

Saturday 5

It has rained all night and this forenoon. Set out fifty cabbage plants & some tomatoes. It has turned quite cool since the rain which has done a great deal of good to the crops. Spent the evening reading newspapers.

Sunday, June 6, 1869.

Went to S. School this morning (supt. absent) lesson I Sam. XXII chap. Went to Lion this afternoon one of the P. M. ministers preached text Isaiah XXVII chap. 16 verse. it was the largest congregation we have had for months. Spent the evening at home.

Monday 7

Was hauling manure on the fallow, hauled 21 loads. Commenced raining at tea-time and is a wet night. Spent the evening at home in reading.

Tuesday 8

Sold a cow and calf this morning for \$30 to Mr. Williamson. Was plowing sod for summer fallow plowed an acre, it is pretty hard plowing but it is in good order. Spent the evening reading.



Wednesday, June 9, 1869.

Was at the same work as yesterday. Sarah and Jennie Peacock were up at our place and staid all day they are both living in Brantford.

J. C. S. called at our place to night on his way to Mr. Christie's sale at Brantford

Thursday 10

Am still at the same work this morning was quite wet but cleared off and was very warm at noon and we had a thunder storm this evening. Mother went up to J. C. S. today and is going to stay all night.

Friday 11

Was at the same work this forenoon as yesterday but had to give up work this afternoon on account of another boil on the back of my neck. Drove up to J. C. Snell's this evening and brought mother home.

Saturday, June 12, 1869.

The weather keeps very cool for the season with frequent showers. John Newhouse called at our place on his way home from Missouri, he was well pleased with the country and is going to live there as soon as he can get away.

Sunday 13

This is a wet day, a warm rain from the south, it has cleared off at noon. Mr. S. Holtby preached this afternoon in Zion and took tea at our place. This is the third Sunday that I have spent entirely at home this year.

Monday 14

Spent the day in reading. Am not yet able to work. Father was plowing sod in my place. Waddow to Mr. Robert Smith's after the turnip drill. He is still using it. John B. Sney Learmont over and spent the evening

Tuesday, June 15, 1869.

The weather is very cold for the season and it is dull and cloudy. Mrs. Matthew Pearce and her son Henry Isaac were over at our place for dinner. Spent the evening at home.

Wednesday 16

Was busy all day plowing the ground in drills for turnips, sowed about 2 acres. Mr. Hindle was here with a letter from Aunt Ann she likes Missouri very well.

Thursday 17

Was very sorry to hear of the death of Herman Ferguson my cousin, he died last night by falling off a fence and the sharp stick pierced his left lung. Was helping John. Learment build fence.

Friday, June 18, 1869.

Went to Brampton this morning and Dr. Putallo lanced the abscess on my neck; it was a very painful operation. Herman was buried today in the new cemetery in Brampton. Rev W. McFadden preached text II Kings IV Chap 26<sup>th</sup> verse.

Saturday 19

Commenced crossplowing the fallow. The weather is turning a good deal warmer. Sold our wool to K. Christolm & Co for 33 cents per lb. there was 170 lbs. Emma Armstrong & Mattie Mode Land were up on a visit.

Sunday 20

There was a heavy shower of rain early this morning. Went to S. School our Supt. absent. Lesson - I Sam. XXVI. Took dinner at J. C. Snells. Was at Zion this afternoon, Rev W. Russell preached text - II Cor. XII chap 9<sup>th</sup> verse. Spent the evening at J. C. S.

Monday, June 21, 1869.

Was at the same work as on Saturday. The weather is very favorable for the crops, the fall wheat has been out in bed a week and the clover is nearly in full bloom. Spent the evening at home in reading the May. 10 of Ladies' Repository

Tuesday 22

Was plowing this forenoon. Went up to Edmuntown and got the horses shod, father, mother and Lizzie Burnett went up to Zion for to clean the church and to put it in order, Sarah & Lizzie Snell were there helping.

Wednesday 23

There was a very heavy thunder shower yesterday afternoon. Was plowing all day in summer fallow. Spent the evening at home in reading the "Christian Guardian".

Thursday, June 24, 1869.

Spent the day in fishing at the 'lake', did not catch any at the lake but caught 30 in the Etobicoke. Spent the evening very pleasantly at Mr. R. Smith's social, proceeds \$45 for the Best. S. School, Bram. Mr. G. L. S. and Sarah Snell spent the

Friday 25

Was plowing all day. Father was up at the lake this afternoon and caught 8 sun fish. The weather is still cool, the turnips are just coming up and also the field potatoes there is some in the garden over a foot high

Saturday 26

Was at the same work as yesterday. There was a man from Port Hope called at our place and offered us \$7000 for our farm but we did not take it. Spent the evening at home reading the newspapers.



Sunday, June 27, 1869.

Very wet morning rain from the south. Went to S. School there was only about 20 present. Supt. abs. Lesson - Matt XXI. 33-46. Spent the evening at home in playing the melodeon and singing. There was a heavy shower this evening.

Monday 28

Was building the line fence between us and J. Larnment. Spent the evening very pleasantly at Mr. R. Smith's party, we had strawberries and cream for a dessert, there was about 25 present. Got home at 1:30 o'clock A.M.

Tuesday 29

Finished the job we were at yesterday. There was some rain again today and it was very warm. The barley is just coming out in head. Father went to Brampton today and bought a grindstone for 90 cts, weight 61.

Wednesday, June 30, 1869.

The weather this month has been very cool and wet, so cold that it has kept the crops back, but they are growing very fast now and look well. Finished cross plowing the fallow. Went to Brampton this evening and mailed a letter to Aunt Catherine.

Thursday, July 1

It has been a very pleasant day, I spent it at Mr. Snell's lake, fishing and caught only two. There were a good many there and among them Sarah Snell. I was sorry afterwards that I did not talk more to her but it is my old failing - bashfulness.

Friday 2

Was engaged in horse-hoeing the carrots and potatoes they look well and are growing very fast. Was hauling manure on the summer fallow that was plowed this summer. Joshua Modeland was married yesterday.



Saturday, July 3, 1869.

Was a very warm day. Went to Brampton this afternoon and bought a light lustré coat for \$5. also a white leg horn hat for \$1.25, we also bought a scythe and some rakes. I found quite a lot of wild straw berries beside our line fence

Sunday 4

Drove up to S. School this morning there were six in the buggy, Mr. Milford was present lesson T. Sam. XXX chap. Went to Dion in the afternoon and Rev. W. L. McFadden preached text Acts XXIV - 25th. Was at Brampton W. M. church tonight, Mr. McF. preached same text  
Monday 5  
Commenced cutting clover this afternoon it is pretty green yet but the season is growing late. Mrs. John Snell and Mrs. J. C. J. spent the afternoon at one place. Spent the evening at home in reading.

Tuesday, July 6, 1869.

Was engaged this forenoon in hilling up the potatoes with the plow. Was cutting hay at Crastus Bunting's this afternoon with our mower. Old Mrs. Sneman came up this evening on a visit.

Wednesday 7

It is very good hay weather now. Mother and Mrs. Sneman went up to J. C. Snell's today. Hauled in 2 loads of hay this afternoon the first we have taken in this year. Miss Elizabeth Keath spent the afternoon at our place.

Thursday 8

It has rained nearly all night and a very heavy shower this morning. Father took Mrs. Sneman home and bought a horse hay fork. Was cutting thistles with the scythe in the pastures. John Dearment was married today

John Learmont was married to Miss  
Elizabeth Armstrong yesterday  
Friday, July 9, 1869.

We have a good many straw  
berries and are a good size  
Saturday 10

it did not work very well  
at first but it will  
improve with practice

Sunday 11

There was a very heavy thunder  
storm with wind early this morning  
Went to school Mr. Millard was  
present and we had an excellent  
Lesson I am XXXI. Was at Zion  
as preaching. Jane spent the day  
at our place I drove her home this  
evening

Monday, July 12, 1869.

Was a very warm day. Was harrowing  
the summer fallow this forenoon.  
We finished cutting 10 acres of clover  
Father was cutting clover for John  
Learmont. he was helping us to  
haul in hay. hauled 5 loads  
worked until dark.

Tuesday 13

Was up at 4 o'clock this morning  
and started to haul in hay.  
Bought a fanning mill for \$23  
from Levi Cossit, Guilph.  
Was house raking hay this  
afternoon and worked until  
dark cocking it up.

Wednesday 14

James Bunting who is working  
for his uncle was helping us to  
draw in hay, the hay fork  
saves a good deal of hard work  
but not much time. Father  
finished cutting Erastus  
Buntines grass today. There  
was a light shower this P.M.

Thursday, July 15, 1869.

Was cutting hay on the other place this forenoon. Finished hauling in ten acres of clover and had 26 loads. It has been a very warm day. Spent the evening at Erastus Bunting's in jumping with the boys.

Friday 16

There was another heavy thunder storm during the night and the grain is quite flat. Was cutting grass for John Learment with the mowder and took dinner there for the first time had a feed of cherries which are now just getting ripe.

Saturday 17

Was horse-hoeing turnips this forenoon. Was cocking up hay on the other place, it is a very good crop mostly timothy. Hauled in 2 loads, the horse-york works a great deal better in the <sup>1-</sup>timothy than in the clover.

Sunday, July 18, 1869.

Drove up to S. School this morning Supt. absent. (Mr. Brooks preached after school) lesson - Psalm XL. Heard Mr. Russel preach at J. G. L. this afternoon, his sermons are quite short - text. Pray for the <sup>usalema</sup> peace of J. G. L. I wife spent the day at our place I drove them home this evening.

Monday 19

We had new potatoes yesterday, they are as large as turkey eggs. James Sewell was helping us to haul in hay this afternoon from the other place. Miss Learment spent the evening at our place and bade us good bye, as she is going up home.

Tuesday 20

Was a very wet day with a good deal of thunder. Was thinning out turnips. Went up to John Snell's this evening to repair their mowder but did not get it finished. Drove my mother horse from J. G. L. it is a beautiful moonlight night.



Wednesday, July 21, 1869.

Went up early this morning to John Snell's and finished repairing their melodeon. I had a long chat with Sarah Snell. She does not seem to have much taste for playing although she seems a very nice girl other ways. Spent the evening at home.

Thursday 22

Olivia Snell and Jane spent the day at our place. The plowing the summer fallow it is in good order considering that it was plowed the first time <sup>only</sup> about 6 weeks ago. We were hauling hay and broke one of the prongs of the horse fork.

Friday 23

Started hauling hay very early this morning as it looked like rain. John Leavent was helping us with his team. Finished haying today having about 48 loads of 18 acres and spent nearly 3 weeks over it on account of the wet weather.

Saturday, July 24, 1869.

The weather is very dull and quite cool. Was plowing in the same field as the other day. It is almost too wet to plow there has been so much rain. Mr. Gunnerson was cutting fall wheat which is the first in the neighbourhood.

Sunday 25

Aunt Mary & Lizzie Bunnett started away early this morning to Henry Modland's on a visit. Went to S. School the Supt. present, had a very instructive lesson - Matt XIII, 1-18 verse. Lavinia and I went up to G. C. D. and staid all night. It has been a very warm day.

Monday 26

Was cross plowing all day and plowed an acre and a half. It is has been a pretty warm day. We received a present of a pile of cherries from Mr. A. Bunting. He has a great quantity of them. Spent the evening reading the Lord's Family.



Tuesday, July 27, 1869.

Was at the same work as yesterday. There was a heavy thunder storm today at noon. I spend most of my noon spells in practising on the melodeon it takes a great deal of practice to make a good player.

Wednesday 28

It rained all forenoon from the west. We were engaged in putting up hoops through the barn roof for the horse fork pulleys. Finished cross plowing. Father and mother spent the evening at J. C. Snell's.

Thursday 29

Commenced marking out the summer fallow into ridges 22 ft wide. James Mason spent the day at our place, he came from Missouri this week, he has changed very little in his looks he is hired at Mr. Hindley's @ \$2<sup>00</sup> per month for harvest

Friday, July 30, 1869.

Commenced cutting our fall wheat this afternoon it is a good crop and I think will yield well, it is Diehl wheat and very plump in the grain it shells out a good deal in harvesting. It was pretty warm today but almost cold enough at night for frost.

Saturday 31

Was cutting wheat all day with the reaper and finished to night we had 11 acres. James Mason was bind for us today and on two neighbours so that it was bound as fast as it was cut. There has been a great deal of rain this morn<sup>ing</sup> with thunder and has also been very cold for the season.

Sunday, August 1

Went to S. School this morning the supt. present lesson II Sam. III chap. Was at Zion this afternoon Rev W. L. McGadden preached Acts - II chap - 3<sup>rd</sup> verse. I went over from meeting and took tea at G. C. S. and spent the evening there. It has been a warm day.

Monday, August 2, 1869.

Spent most of the day berry picking in Mr. Dyer's bush, E. Burnett, S. Bunting, Lavira and myself and a good many from No. 10, we picked about 16 lbs. There was a very heavy rain this evening. Uncle William Ferguson & wife were also picking berries.

Tuesday 3

The three of us were down at E. Bunting's, with the reaper and acres of fall wheat it is not so good a crop as ours. Spent the evening in cutting roads around our barley field with the cradle.

Wednesday 4

Another wet day, showers from the west with thunder. We 'docked' our lambs and took them away from the ewes and put them in a field by themselves, there 14 rams and 8 ewes. Planted out a bed of strawberries.

Thursday, August 5, 1869.

Went to Brampton this morning and sold the iron belonging to the old threshing machine for \$  
Commenced cutting barley with the reaper cut about 5 acres. it is a very heavy crop and is knocked down a good deal with

Friday 6

the rain John Learment his hired boy and team were helping us to haul in our wheat there was 18 loads on the 11 acres and there seems a good deal of wheat in it as it handles very heavy. The weather has been quiet the last 2 days the wind in the N<sup>th</sup>.

Saturday 7

Was horse-raking wheat stubble commenced at 5 o'clock this morning and finished at 9 o'clock. Was reaping barley this afternoon and hauled in the wheat raking, worked until dark mowing barley. The sun was eclipsed about 5 o'clock this evening it was half obscured and it was as dark as after mid set.

Sunday, August 8, 1869.

After mother & I drove over to Harrisville to Quarterly Meeting, Mr. McEdden preached text 45th Psalm, 3, 4 and 5<sup>th</sup> verses the church was crowded. Walked up to the Baptist Church, Edmonton, Rev. Mr. Sorenson preached a very good sermon text Acts XI 23<sup>rd</sup> verse, I saw Gabez Heath for the first time since his return from Great Britain

Monday 9

The three of us were over cutting J. Learment's barley with our reaper this forenoon, he bound it all, Was hauling in our barley this afternoon, it is all loose and we unload it with the horse-fork which works very well in it.

Tuesday 10

The weather continues very fine and quite warm. Was over to see Mr. Suckers self-raker working it does its work well and saves a good deal of hard work. Was hauling barley with 3 teams this afternoon hauled 18 loads, worked until dark

Wednesday, August 11, 1869.

There was a light shower early this morning. Was hauling in loose barley this afternoon. Went to Van Amburg's Menagerie this evening in Brampton there was a big crowd at it and all seemed well pleased with the show there was nearly 500 ~~from~~ animals, birds, &c.

Thursday 12 tickets 30 cents

Was reaping barley this forenoon J. Learment and J. Bunting were helping us in binding the barley this is all we intend to bind. Was hauling in barley this afternoon hauled six loads. Spent the evening at home.

Friday 13

There was a very heavy thunder storm last night. Was reaping barley for Erasmus Bunting this afternoon, I was pulling off the sheaves from the reaper which I have done all harvest, there was some huge thistles, nearly an inch in diameter at the lower end of stalk



Saturday, August 14, 1869.

We had Samuel Bunting sen. helping us to cut barley 2 of us were mowing it with the scythe it is so badly laid that the reaper won't cut it. We hauled in 7 loads of barley this afternoon it commenced raining about dark from the east

Sunday 15

It rained a good deal last night. Went to S. School this morning our Supt. abs. on account of the sickness of his wife there was only a small school lesson II Sam 15 chap. Mr. Russel preached at Zion a 2 1/2 PM text  
Spent the evening at J. C. S. and staid all night

Monday 16

Finished marking out the ridges in the summer fallow. Was mowing barley with the scythe and horse-raking and cocking it up. Was preparing 20 bush of Leadwell wheat for market it is the best of old wheat

Tuesday, August 17, 1869.

Mr. Thomas Simpson was threshing for us today with his new machine (Berwick) it does very good work. Threshed all the fall wheat and 1/3 of the barley. The fall wheat is an excellent sample and the barley fair.

Wednesday 18

Was reaping J. Learment's oats they are a great crop of straw and are the tallest I ever saw being higher than a man's head it was very heavy work pulling off the sheaves. We hauled in 19 loads of barley today

Thursday 19

Our 2 year old colt 'Pollie' happened a bad accident by getting her foot cut it bled a great deal. We had a great deal of thunder this afternoon with some rain. Commenced cutting our oats, are well filled and a good crop

Friday, August 20, 1869.

Yesterday and to day I think have been the warmest days this season. Finished cutting the field of oats nearly 4 acres. Hauled in the last four barley having over 55 loads. Took a load of new wheat to Brampton, 51 bush @ \$1.03.

Saturday 21

It rained all forenoon from the east. Was putting up the pulley for the horse fork in the new barn for to unload peas. Was ridging up the fallow this afternoon, the land is in good order and nearly clear of weeds.

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It has been a very warm day. Finished cutting oats at noon they are a very heavy crop. Was reaping oats all afternoon for Mr. Erasmus Bunting, his oats are not quite so heavy as ours. Spent the evening at home, it is beautiful moonlight

Tuesday 24

Finished cutting E. Bunting's oats this forenoon. Was binding oats at home all afternoon, which is nearly all the binding I have done this harvest. Bunting seems is half drunk most of the time and is not much good

Wednesday 25

Has been a warm day. Was ridging up, all day plowed  $1\frac{2}{3}$  acres. Erasmus Bunting was threshing our 2 men went with the team. Was reading the new 3<sup>rd</sup> Book (School book) published by J. Campbell Toronto. it contains a great amount of interesting reading.

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Friday 27

Was ridging this forenoon with two teams. Archibald Bunting and the other 2 commenced pulling our peas, they pull very easy this year the ground is so loose. Hauled in the Alsike this afternoon there were 5 big loads.

Saturday 28

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Monday 30

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Wednesday, September 1, 1869.

There was a white frost last night, it is quite cold today. Was threshing at John Simpson with team and 2 hands their grain did not yield very well. Archd Bunting finished pulling our peas today which job I have missed <sup>doing this year.</sup> <sub>Thursday</sub>

Was hauling in oats all day & finished to night. J. C. Snell and wife took dinner at our place today, he took the names of our thorough bred Durham cattle and is going to put them up at their sale on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

Friday 3

Was hauling in peas all day have in 12 loads, and unload with the horse fork, I met with an accident by the rope getting around my hand and drawing it bruised my fingers badly.

Saturday, September 4, 1869.

Commenced sowing the fall wheat today and sowed ten acres, which is all we have plowed yet, the ground is in very good order. Nearly all the plums and pears in the garden are ripe, the trees are well loaded.

Sunday 5

Went to S. School this morning. Supt. absent. Lesson - Matt XXV J. C. S. and wife came down to dinner (green corn). Mr. Walker preached at Zion text - Genesis XXXI 2<sup>nd</sup> Rezia Snell took tea with us, went to Bap. Church, Edm. text - Mark I 15<sup>th</sup>

Monday 6

George Adams & his son Joseph was helping us to haul in peas, I was ridging up with the other team they hauled 10 loads. I plowed 2 acres today in 9 hours. Mr. J. C. S. spent the day at our place J. C. being in Toronto. A very <sup>in</sup> warm <sub>day</sub>



Tuesday, September 7, 1869.

Was plowing until 10 o'clock when it commenced to rain and has been raining all day from the NE. Spent the evening at home read Mrs. & Mrs. A. McPaul of Caledon came home last week from Ireland where they have spent the summer. Sarah Snell is now in Caledon at their place to spend a

Wednesday 8

week. It rained all last night and the greater part of today.

Went to Brampton this forenoon and visited J. E. Woods Barber shop. Spent the evening and all night at J. C. Snell's, he is now very busy preparing for the Provincial Fair,

Thursday 9

Very dull and cloudy but cleared off this evening. Reaped 7 acres of spring wheat for C. Bunting it was a light crop for the season. Spent the evening at home in reading the Christian Guardian and social chat.

Friday, September 10, 1869.

Was plowing and sowing wheat the ground is quite wet after the heavy rain. The wife of the Rev. William Millard died on last Wednesday with the consumption she has been sick many years, was buried today in township of

Saturday 11

Etobicoke. Finished the fall seeding today have sowed about 15 acres. Received a catalogue of Mr. Snell's sale with a portrait of "Duke of Bourbon" in it, and full pedigrees of the stock for sale. Spent the evening reading the

Sunday 12

Globe. A warm day. Went to school our supt. absent, lesson, II Sam ~~II Sam~~ chap. Was at Zion this afternoon. Rev. D. C. Sutherland preached text - Hebrews II. He has just returned from Europe where he spent the summer.

Monday, September 13, 1869.

Was hauling in peas all day, took in 8 loads. J. C. Snell called at our place this evening and asked me to help them during the exhibition with their stock which I intend doing. This was a warm day for the season.

Tuesday 14

Finished harvest today by finishing hauling in the peas there was 40 loads of Yores threshed 22 bush with the horses and stacked the straw out. Spent the evening at home Aunt Mary Peacock went to Toronto,

Wednesday 15

Went to the Gore Mills today with a grist and peas to be chopped. Harvested our beans. Was up at J. C. Snell's this evening they are not quite through harvest but will be to-morrow.

Thursday, September 16, 1869.

Was hauling manure on stubble ground to enrich it for turnips, hauled 18 loads with one team. Father was threshing at Gammerson's. The fall wheat is up nice and green.

Friday 17

There was a very heavy thunder storm last night. Trained a great deal. Went to Brampton this afternoon and started about 4 o'clock for London on a freight train, arrived in St. Mary's at 11 P.M.

Saturday 18

Spent the rest of the night trying to sleep but could not on account of the cold. We had breakfast here and arrived in London 9 A.M. where we unshipped the stock and drove them to fair ground. We boarded in a private house.

Sunday, September 19, 1869.

Was very tired last night. Went to W. M. Church and heard Rev. Mr. Cookman text John I 29<sup>th</sup>. It is a very warm day. Heard Rev. Mr. Hunter preach this evening. text - Hebrews.

Monday 20

Was busy all forenoon washing the cattle at in large pond <sup>called Lake Spring</sup> which is in the grounds. Was picking the sheep and fixing them up. There is every prospect of a good show.

Tuesday 21

Commenced showing the sheep this afternoon. We have a very nice boarding place at Mr. Christie's and the time passes pleasantly. Spent the evening walking through the streets.

Wednesday, September 22, 1869.

Finished showing the sheep this afternoon we received 6 prizes on sheep and 10 prizes on cattle 5 first prizes, the Prince of Wales' prize for the best herd of Durham cattle.

Thursday 23

I saw Prince Arthur on the ground yesterday he is rather a fine looking young man (age 19). My father came up to the show today, there is not many up from our part. There is a good show of articles

in the Palace

Friday 24

The fair broke up to day at 2 o'clock and to night nearly all the stock has left for home. There are a great many machines and implements showed. They had fireworks in the city on Wednesday evening in honor of the Prince.



Saturday, September 25, 1869.

Was up early this morning and had breakfast about daylight drove all Mr. Snell's stock down to the station, we got them shipped and started at 2 P.M. J. C. and I came on the express train. I got home at 12 o'clock it rained nearly all day.

Sunday 26

Spent forenoon at J. C. Snell's heard Rev. Mr. McFadden preach at Zion text Hebrews 16<sup>th</sup> spent the evening pleasantly at J. C. in company with Miss Sarah Snell and Klizia and escorted them home in our

Monday 27

buggy was hauling manure on the stubble ground it is quite soft after the heavy rains. Father arrived home this evening from visiting his friends in St. Thomas they are all prospering and intend to visit us next fall.

Tuesday, September 28, 1869.

Finished hauling out the manure and the barn yard is clean once more. Drove our two Durham cattle (cow & calf and bull) up to Mr. Snell's for to be put up at the sale tomorrow. J. C. Snell came home from Kentucky last night.

Wednesday 29

Staid all night at J. C. Snell's. Was clerk at the sale today, there was quite a number of people present and the stock sold well, they realized over \$3000, we did not sell ours but bought a heifer calf for \$95. Spent the evening with the girls and staid there all night for the first

Thursday 30

time in my life. Was up before daylight this morning and home before our folks were up. Took a load of barley to Brampton this forenoon and got 72 cents per bush, 58 bush, sold 65 bush last week at 71 cents. Washed our ram (10) lambs with warm water and soap

Friday, October 1, 1869.

Mr. Thos. Simpson threshed for us today, barley and oats, it has been a fine day, but a head wind which made it very dusty. Uncle Adam arrived here yesterday morning from Missouri he looks rather thin, but is healthy his son Albert is along.

Saturday 2

Finished threshing today, the grain turned out well.

Mr. J. C. Snell and Sarah Snell called here after dark and seen Uncle Adam and Albert he brought hickory and walnuts sweet corn and papas a kind of fruit.

Sunday 3

Went to S. School this morning our Supt absent he is not well, his wife died 3 weeks ago. Lesson II Sam. 11 chap Mr. J. G. Watson preached at Zion at 2 P.M. text John 17 32 Verse. Took dinner at J. C. Snells. Spent the evening at home.

Monday, October 4, 1869.

Went up to Mr. John Snells this morning and brought home the heifer calf we bought for \$95. Commenced cutting the clover for seed it is a good crop and the seed well filled. Spent the evening preparing apples for drying.

Tuesday 5

Finished cutting our clover we have 10 acres. Was cutting clover for Erastus Bunting's. The weather is quite cold with frost at night. Uncle Adam came here this evening from Amaranth the folks are pretty well.

Wednesday 6

Went to Brampton Show this forenoon and some plums & potatoes to show but obtained no prize, there is a good show especially among the vegetables. Was cutting clover this afternoon at Mr. E. Bunting's.

Thursday, October 7, 1869.

Went to Brampton Fair early this morning with 7 ram lambs and sold 6 for \$10 each. There was a great crowd, more so than any previous fair. It was late this evening when we got home and had the

chores to do after  
Friday 8

Was digging potatoes this forenoon, nearly half rotten. Was hauling in clover this afternoon hauled 6 loads, there seems a good deal of seed in it. Uncle Adam was away with our horse collecting notes. J. Learment spent the evening at <sup>our</sup> place.

Saturday 9

Was at the same work as yesterday hauled in 8 loads. J. L. S. bought a Berkshire sow from us for \$5 (3 months old). The weather has been fine this week, there was some rain ~~last~~ this evening.

Sunday, October 10, 1869.

Was at S. School, very few present. Supt absent. Lesson John XIV chap. Went to the Dedication of new church on 3<sup>rd</sup> line east at 2 P.M. Mr. Goodenham preached text II Corin. took tea at Henry Modelands. Rev. S. Rose of Toronto preached this evening

Monday 11

Text John VI 53 to 56

Went to Edmonton fair this morning with six ram lambs and a Durham heifer calf received 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes on the lambs and 2<sup>nd</sup> on heifer. It is a cold wet day and not many people present. The girls were rather scarce but

Tuesday 12

select

Commenced fall plowing today for the first, it is getting hot. Spent the evening hearing a temperance lecture from a blind man, delivered in Zion not many people out. Had a nice chat with Sarah Snell.



Wednesday, October 13, 1869

Was plowing all day with two teams. It has been a cold day and hard frost at night.

Was at Brampton this evening at Mr. Snooks's. Uncle Adam is here tonight and is nearly through collecting his notes

Thursday 14

Was up early this morning and started for Caledon Fair @ 7.30 A.M. with a span of horses to the buggy, father, mother, Uncle Adam and myself was a wet disagreeable day, got home at 8 P.M. They have a good show

took dinner and tea at John Newhouse

Friday 15

Went to E. Bunting's to thresh this morning and the machine broke so we all went home. Was plowing per stubble land. Spent the evening paring apples for drying, and playing the melodeon

Saturday, October 16, 1869

Was threshing all day at E. Bunting's spring wheat and oats which turn out very well. Threshing is the most disagreeable and dirty work about a farm. Spent the evening helping Uncle Adam arrange his chest and count money

Sunday 17

Was at school a good number present. Supt about lesson - Psalm CII. Mr. Holtby preached at Zion text Isaiah XL - 31<sup>st</sup> verse. Took dinner at J. C. S. he & wife. Uncle William and Adam spent the evening at our place.

Monday 18

Was threshing at E. Bunting's this forenoon and at John Learment's this afternoon. It has been a very cold day and some snow showers. Went to "Ebenezer" to night to practice singing for the convention there was only a few present

<sup>Tuesday, October 19, 1869.</sup>  
Cleaned up a load of barley  
this morning and took it to  
Brampton, 41 bush @ 65cts  
Finished hauling in the second  
crop of clover, had 16 loads  
off 10 acres. There was snow squa-  
lls today. Spent the evening at  
home.

<sup>Wednesday 20</sup>  
Finished mowing E. Bunting's  
clover. It is a very cold day. Spent  
the afternoon at the Township S.  
S. Convention held in Ebenezer  
only a small attendance. There  
was a larger number at the evening  
meeting, we had several speeches  
and music.

<sup>Thursday 21</sup>  
James Mason and wife took tea at  
our place last night. Uncle Eben  
started for Missouri early this  
morning, he took \$3390 with him  
this is the fourth trip he has made  
thither. Was plowing all day.  
Spent the evening at home.

<sup>Friday, October 22, 1869.</sup>  
Finished plowing 10 acres of pea  
land, we have sold the 10 ram  
lambs for \$89 and could sell more  
there is such a demand. Spent  
the evening at Mr. John Hinkle's  
and stayed all night at J. C. Snell  
Rev. A. M. Fall also stayed all night

<sup>Saturday 23</sup>  
A cold S.E. rain has lasted nearly  
all day. James Mason and I spent  
the day in Toronto changing his  
Canada money into American  
and bought his tickets for St. Jo.  
Missouri, we missed the train  
in the evening and did not get

till 3 o'clock <sup>Sunday 24</sup>  
Was at S. school this morning  
our next present lesson, Psalm  
LXI. Rev. W. L. McFadden preach  
at 7 o'clock at 7 1/2 P.M. text Psal. 104  
I took tea  
and spent the evening at Mr.  
Samuel Snell's. A very cold day  
and a snow storm

Monday, October 25, 1869.

It froze nearly hard enough  
last night to stop the plow  
Was plowing all day in the fall  
wheat stubble land, done 1/2 an  
A very cold day for the season.  
Spent the evening at home  
in reading the Globe.

Tuesday 26

About 2 inches of snow fell  
this morning. Went to the  
Gore Mills with 2 bush of  
peas & oats for chipping. It  
is a very cold night. No 2  
parties in the neighborhood  
to night but I was not invited

Wednesday 27

Was hauling manure all day  
out of the yard on the stubble  
The weather is some milder to  
day. Mother spent the day at  
J. C. A. and drove up for her  
and spent the evening there  
in reading and chat.

Thursday, October 28, 1869.

Was plowing all day till 3 o  
clock when I took Aunt Mary  
Peacock's truck over to W. H.  
Modelands who will take it to  
town to early to morrow morn  
ing.

Friday 29

Was plowing this forenoon  
Commenced harvesting the  
carrots this afternoon. They  
are a good crop and have  
grown large. It has been a  
cold day with some snow  
showers

Saturday 30

Finished taking up carrots.  
Went to Brampton this after  
noon and bought a new felt  
hat for \$2.25 and a black  
silk cravat for 30 cents  
Spent the evening reading  
the newspapers.



Sunday, October 31, 1869.

Went to S. School this morning  
our Supt present - lesson Pro I  
1-19, he read an address given by  
Mr. Keynold at the Provincial S.D.  
Convention. The local preacher at  
Bison disappointed only 7 pres  
Spent the evening at home.

Monday, November 1

The weather this month has been  
very cold and a great many roots  
and apples are destroyed by frost.  
The weather is quite warm today  
Commenced the turnip harvest  
Was at Teachers meeting to night  
in Ebenezer to arrange for a tea  
party

Tuesday 2

Was hauling in turnips with  
two teams and five hands  
got in 24 loads to day and  
yesterday, the turnips are a  
good size and yield well.  
Spent the evening at home  
Indian summer has commenced

Wednesday, November 3, 1869.

Finished the turnip harvest  
to day, we have about 1200 bush  
or 40 waggon loads. It has been  
a warm and pleasant day.  
Uncle William & wife will spend  
tomorrow at our place. Got  
at letter from Uncle John in St Jo

Thursday 4

Finished hauling in the carrots  
Spent the afternoon at Mrs. Wm  
Wraith's Auction sale of farm  
stock and implements, the stock  
brought high prices. Mr. &  
W. Main took tea at our place  
this evening. Has been a fine day

Friday 5

Was plowing stubble ground  
A great change in the weather  
last night, a cold high west  
wind with some rain, which  
continued all day and is a  
cold night. Spent the even-  
ing at home reading

Saturday, November 6, 1869.

Was plowing all day with one team. Father & Mother were at Brampton all day, he sold Uncle John's house for \$425. ~~Received a pair of winter boots from J. Coyne \$4.25~~

Sunday 7

Went to S. School this morn-  
ing, our Supt absent, lesson  
John 11: 18 to 38. Looked  
at Miss D's. D. G. Sutherland  
preached in fish at 2 1/2 PM  
text - II Col 1: 24. Spent  
the evening, which is very cold at  
home

Monday 8

A cold day with snow squalls.  
Was shovelling the cross fur-  
rows on the plowed land,  
it was hard work on account  
of the frost. Spent the evening  
at Mr. John Woodhall's at N 1/8.

Tuesday, November 9, 1869.

Willie Learment commenced  
work at our place today for a year  
@\$ per month. Hauled 1/4 loads  
of gravel from the creek to put  
on the paths around the house  
and barn. Spent the evening  
at home reading "Pilgrim's Progress"

Wednesday 10

The weather continues cold and  
cloudy, the ground staying  
frozen all day. Hauled 1/4 loads  
of gravel today and put it on  
the barn, from the horse to the  
road. Father and mother spent  
the evening at J. C. Snell's

Thursday 11

Went to Brampton this forenoon  
and sat for my photograph at  
Mr. W. Egaigs Gallery of Art.  
Mr. J. C. Snell spent the day  
at our place, J. C. S. called here  
this evening. A very cold day  
for the season

Friday, November 12, 1869.

Was engaged in hauling stones from the other place for building purposes next summer, and burning old rails left from the line fence. A great many are behind with the turnip harvest and cannot work at them for the frost

Saturday 13

Finished building the line fence on the other place between us and G. Sarnment. Father went to Brampton this afternoon to the meeting of the Quarterly Board of the circuit. Spent the evening reading newspapers

Sunday 14

Went to school this morning our text present - lesson Prov. **IV** chap. Spent the afternoon at Mr. Samuel Snell's pleasantly with some young folks. Heard Mr. Sorraue preach at Edmonton text I Sam. **XVI** 7<sup>th</sup>

Monday, November 15, 1869.

Sold 5 Berkshires, 4 mos. old @ \$8 to John Snell, he sent them to and started for Kentucky today. Was building the line fence between us and G. Simpson. Spent the evening at G. C. Snell's pleasantly in social chat.

Tuesday 16

Cut down a large elm on the Simpson line this forenoon and commenced splitting it into rails. Was at E. Bunting and sold him 2 tickets for our S. S. Anniversary. The evening set in with a cold east snow storm.

Wednesday 17

Went to Brampton this forenoon and received \$1.10 worth of photo from Mr. Craig, they are the best I have had taken. Stabled all our stocks to day and commenced winter feeding. It has rained all day from the East



Thursday, November 18, 1869.

Was splitting elm rails and chopping cord wood and building fence. The teachers and scholars of our S. S. met for practice to night in Ebenezer, it is a nice moonlight night and there were 3 sleigh loads present

Friday 19

It has been snowing all day from the east, and there is quite good sleighing. Was hauling stakes on the sleigh to the line fence. Was in Brampton this evening and visited J. E. Woods Barber shop. Spent the evening reading the Red Banner

Saturday 20

Snowing most of the day, there is tolerable good sleighing. Spent the evening at the singing meeting, there was a good turnout. I invited Miss S. H. Snell to wait with me at the party and she consented, to my great pleasure

Sunday, November 21, 1869.

Went to S. School this morning our Supt present - Lesson - John XIV - a large attendance. Heard Rev. H. W. Fadden preach in Zion text - Matthew XVI, 23<sup>rd</sup>. Went to Samuel Westwells baptism at 4 o'clock. He turned from the P. Method to heard shell Baptist

Monday 22

Commenced a heavy snow storm from the E. at noon and lasted till after dark. Spent the afternoon in preparing the Church for the party. Took tea at J. E. Woods had a nice sleigh ride to the church with the girls. Gave one of my pictures to Sarah Snell and another Tuesday 23 to Nellie. There is a foot of snow on the ground this morning. Went to the party this afternoon, an average attendance. Mr. Millard a present of \$100 from his friends, it was a surprise to him. I got along nicely with my partner, S. S.

Wednesday, November 24, 1869.  
Very hard frost last night. Clear and cold today. Spent the forenoon in cleaning out the church it is quite a heavy job. Spent the evening at G. Leavelle's, Miss S. Snell was there. I had the pleasure of escorting her home.

Thursday 25  
Commenced splitting rails in the 'other place' bush. Father & mother came home today from Oakville (they went on Monday) were visiting Uncle Taylor, he is doing well in his business. Received a copy of Frank Leslie's Illustrated from Carthage

Friday 26  
Received a letter from Uncle John (St. Jo). Was at the same work as yesterday. It has thawed a good deal today. Spent the evening at John Woodhall's in social chat, and spent the night in Nature's balmy sweet restorer.

Saturday, November 27, 1869.  
Was chopping cordwood and splitting oak stakes this forenoon. Went to Brampton this afternoon and pair bought of working pants at 12:25 & tooth brush. Took tea at Uncle William Ferguson's. Got a turpentine cutter from John Snell

Sunday 28  
Went to S. School this morning our Supt present - Lesson - Prov 21. G. L. Snell and wife took dinner at our place, Mr. Walker preached in Lion at 2 1/2 PM text - Psalm LXXX 3rd. Spent the evening at John Snell's with the young folks

Monday 29  
Was chopping cordwood all day on the 'other place'. The weather is quite mild and set in with rain this evening. Spent the evening playing the melodeon and reading the Canadian Almanac for 1870.

Tuesday, November 30, 1869.

This has been a real winter month  
there has been good sleighing for  
two weeks, a great many have  
turnips and potatoes and hay  
and grain unharvested. Spent  
the evening reading the news  
papers and chit chat.

Wednesday, December 1

Was chopping and splitting rails  
all day. Father and mother were  
at Mrs Heath's sale of furniture  
and household goods, the articles  
sold for good prices. Spent  
the evening at home reading.  
John Leachmont spent the evening  
with us

Thursday 2

Was splitting elm rails and  
chopping cordwood for home use  
this forenoon. Spent the after-  
noon in Campbell's blacksmith's  
shop at No 10 getting a horse  
shod. I saw an Illustrated  
Newspaper published in New  
Zealand.

Friday, December 3, 1869.

Spent the day - which was the  
coldest we have had this season  
at J. A. Modeland's Auction  
sale of all his stock and  
implements, nearly all the  
articles sold brought high  
prices. There was a large attend-  
ance

Saturday 4

Was engaged in chopping cordwood  
Father drove to Mr. Fraser's on  
the 6th line west, and bought  
a patent car for the horse fork  
it is a great improvement.  
It cost \$9.50. Was at Brampton  
this evening and bought a Canadian  
Illustrated News

Sunday 5

Was at S.S. this morning, a large  
attendance, our Supt absent - lesson  
John XV. Rev. J. G. Sutherland pre-  
ached at Lion at 2 1/2 PM text -  
I Kings XVIII 21st. Drove the  
sleigh to Edmorton this evening  
W. Lorraine preached text - Philippians  
II - 12, 13 verses



Monday, December 6, 1869.

A very cold day. Was threshing  
wheat with the flail. Spent  
the evening very profitably in  
listening to Philip Phillips. Sacred  
songs, it was the best singing I  
ever heard. The concert was held  
in the Wesleyan Church, Brampton  
<sup>there were</sup> present.

Was engaged in chopping cordwood  
cut nearly 2 cords, split and piled  
it in 5 hours (the two boys  
Spent the evening at G. Snell's  
reading the Farmer's Advocate,  
it is published in London, Ont.  
Miss H. F. Snell, spent part of the

Wednesday 8 evening there

Commenced chopping cordwood  
in the lower bush today.  
Took a load of barley to Bram-  
pton this afternoon and got  
50 cents per bush for 70 bush.  
Received a Daily paper from Uncle  
John in St. Joseph, also a copy  
of Daily Telegraph from Catskill

Thursday, December 9, 1869.

Was busy all day chopping.  
Father went to Robert Gardner's  
Auction Sale of Farm Stock  
and Implements, and bought  
4 breeding ewes @ \$32.50.  
Spent the evening in company  
with Mrs E. Burnett et al. Learning

Friday 10

Was butchering hogs today, we only  
had 3 to kill, they averaged  
250 lbs each. Spent the after-  
noon in Brampton, purchased  
2 Gal of Coal Oil @ 40 cents  
per gal. Spent the evening at  
home reading newspapers.

Saturday 11

There was a thick mist all  
day with some rain, it is quite  
warm and the snow is going  
fast. Spent the afternoon  
trying to repair the melodeon  
in Leavenworth, but failed as the  
bellows is completely worn out.  
Father and mother staid all night

Sunday, December 12, 1869.

Was at S. S. this morning our  
Supt present & I received a present  
of the "New Standard Singer"  
from him) - Lesson Luke ~~XIII~~  
4/21 to the end of chap. We had a disa-  
ppointment at Lion, the preacher  
did not come, there was a short  
prayer meeting held.

Monday 13

Was engaged in chopping cordwood  
this forenoon. Was saw<sup>ing</sup> a hem-  
lock tree with the cross cut saw  
into 2 foot lengths. Spent the  
evening pleasantly, it being the  
last night Miss E. Burnett stays  
with us her time is out tomorrow.

Tuesday 14

Was at the same work as yester-  
day and splitting hemlock rails  
they are hard to split. J. E. Snell  
took tea at our place, this evening  
he starts for Montreal to enquire  
to see Mr. Lockman's stock.  
Spent the evening playing the melodeon.

Wednesday, December 15, 1869.

A rain storm from the East  
commenced today. Father went  
to the Gore Mills with 11 bags of  
peas & oats. Drove up for Mr.  
J. E. S. this afternoon. She is  
going to stay at our place till he  
comes back.

Thursday 16

The rain storm lasted 24 hours  
Was chopping cordwood this  
afternoon in the lower bush.  
The creek is quite high and  
the ice is all broken up.  
Spent the evening at home read-  
ing the "Christian Guardian".

Friday 17

Father drove to Esquering for  
a load of lumber, he got some  
pretty good quality at \$3.50 per  
thousand. Spent the evening  
pleasantly at Mr. E. Bunting's  
there were some young folks  
present. arrived home at 11 o'clock.

Saturday. December 18, 1869.

Spent the day chopping cordwood. Received a letter from John Ferguson in St Joseph he has bought 40 acres of land from Uncle Adam for \$700. John Hunter came home on Thursday from Illinois, he intends spending the winter here.

Sunday 19

Spent the forenoon in the S. School our Supt. gave lesson - Luke XIX, 41<sup>st</sup> vers. Rev. W. McFadden preach in Zion at 2 1/2 PM - text - Numbers XXI. 9. Was at the Baptist Church this evening and heard Rev. W. Torrance preach text - Galatians -

Monday 20

VI - 17<sup>th</sup> vers.

Was engaged in chopping brush and maple (dry trees) in the lower bush. Father went to the Municipal Nominations but the same Councillors were re-elected. Spent the evening at home.

Tuesday, December 21, 1869.

Went to Brampton this afternoon and bought some Christmas presents for my sisters, and a pack of cards (Quintettes) for amusement in the home circle price 30 cents

Wednesday 22

An east storm all night of snow and rain, turned very cold and windy to night. Spent the afternoon in fanning up peas. Spent the evening at home playing Quintettes. Received a newspaper from G. S. in Montreal

Thursday 23

Spent the afternoon at our school examination by the Teacher W. Samuel Westcott the scholars answered well and kept good order and sang well. Anderson Campbell came home from Illinois yesterday



Friday, December 24, 1869.

Was hauling wood from the bush on the other place with the sleigh ~~and~~. G. C. Snell came home this evening from N. York state, where he bought some sheep. Drove him up to his father's this evening.

Saturday 25

Spent the day at home, and had very little enjoyment. Was skating about 2 hours in the afternoon. It has been a very nice mild day and pretty good sleighing. Mrs. Pierce came here this evening from Toronto.

Sunday 26

Was at S. this morning, a very small attendance. Supt. pres. he brought a new library for the school of 12 volumes and a copy of the "British Workman" for each child. Spent the afternoon and

Monday, December 27, 1869.

It was very foggy all day. Finished hauling the hard-wood from the other place. Robert Nickola spent the evening at our place, he was collecting school tax, our tax was \$12.75.

Tuesday 28

Received a letter from Joseph Pearee last night stating that Uncle Joshua Harrington was dead a month ago. Father & mother spent the day at Springbrook. Spent the evening writing a letter to Alex. Campbell.

Wednesday 29

Was fanning oats and storing them away in the driving house for use next summer. H. S. Dodson's Clover mill came to our place this afternoon. There are 3 men with it and 2 span of horses.

Thursday, December 30, 1869.

Commenced threshing Alsike  
clover this morning, it turned  
out to bush off 2 acres

Spent the evening in driving  
Aunt Mary over to the 3<sup>rd</sup> line  
east in the cutter Lizzie Bennett  
was along, the cutter was upset  
but no one hurt

Friday 31

Was threshing red clover today  
it does not turn out so well  
as the Alsike, threshed  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  bush today. The threshers  
drove home this evening.

Went to Brampton to night  
and got the newspapers also

a copy of the Daily Telegraph  
from Uncle Saylor's in  
Oakville

Memoranda.

Another has rolled away add-  
ing as it were one drop to the  
great ocean of eternity through  
which every one must live or  
die. It seems but a short  
time since it was welcomed  
in with a happy New Year  
yet when you calculate the  
labour you have passed through,  
spring time and harvest,  
summer and winter, meeting  
with and parting from friends  
joys and sorrows, hopes and  
fears and very many other  
things, it is a good while.

The weather this year has  
been remarkable, During the  
whole month of January we  
had fine dry roads almost  
dusty and bright warm  
days, but the afterpart of

Memoranda.

the winter was cold and stormy and in March we had nearly 3 feet of snow on the level, it laid on the ground until the middle of April when it all disappeared, raising the river Etobicoke to an unusual height. Commenced seeding the last week in April.

The summer was remarkably cool with a considerable quantity of rain. There was a very bountiful harvest barley yielded in many instances 60 bush per acre, oats 45 to 80, fall wheat 35 to 40 and peas 40 bush per acre, the root crops were excellent, the potatoes suffered some from the rot, a great many apples were destroyed by the early frost this fall.

Memoranda.

The grain market has been rather dull, barley was sold from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents to 75 per bush. wheat 80 cents oats 30 cents and peas 50. (We have sold very little grain only about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the barley.)