

Mr. Hill's Camp on Island 12th March 1883
On this Day of the month Dr. McMaster
First came to the Island fine Wind Randolph
Cropped lot 50 by 7 long at Mr. Ward's got
the Loan of Mr. Charles Evans' Sleds & Pul
Cutting Wood and Brush for the Sleds got
2 Pairs at Hamilton toew some
Wood cutting stone Wood 13th fine Wind
an cool sap runs as Randolph has a tree tapped
York's Settlement to Day 14th Still very's Brrk Day
1880 fine Randolph went up to see the Sugar Bush
cut & Roll Fixing the Barrels and Pots and Chains
to have them all ready sent Randolph over to
see young Henry Rossell to see if he wanted
the Sugar Bush 15th Henry came said he would
take the Bush going to Bay to look for a Team for
to draw wood for the camp at Hamilton
here a fine Day of Good Mⁿ Dougall here
and son for the Bush and I told him
I gave it to Henry 16th fine Day cutting bush
for the Sleds 17th cold but went to Hamilton &
Cutting Bush Middle Road Old Painted Barn
to night not a stormy Day 1st Patricks 18th
in the Bush a full Day sloppy in the swamp
19th fine Day Wind Went to Summerstown Bought
Mr. Ward 100 lbs of Flour 3.25 £6 Tea 25 yrs. 15
Pail 20. 5 lbs of Smiles 25 matches Pipe Bought 25
R.R.R. 25 Streetys got 2 Bars of Tobacco from
Hamilton The other packages Russell killed
Little Jim & Dougall since Departed in Maria & Helen
2 Mr. Evans Boys Frank Laplante and St. Dennis
Boys Run away caught some of them in Fort
Covington see Nelling on the Top and Hearing
under I suppose Heard a Team got drowned
up of possible Mr. Martin's a Man from
Kingsland lost them & stuck them
Black Birds came

On Saturday Evening 20th March 1881
Raining Snowing & Wind First Day Spring 21st
I me Randolph crossed to Roselle for Hens
George Sept his Boy to J. McDougall
to tell him Young Henery or Wall Eye
was not going to take the Sugar Bush
so he said he could come ton morrow some of
the Hens commenced to Lay for the first
a Large Flock of wild Geese went down
past close to the Barn 22nd Livermore
(Birth Day Senior) Rory Willie and James Cox came to
Draw Wood for the sugar Bush Drawing stones
to make a Place for an arch in place of Logs 23rd
Dopt some for the first putting out some
Manure fine Weather 24th Gathering and Boiling
all night 25th Annunciation of the Virgin Mary
Made the first sugar about 10 lbs the Boys
Randolph and Bernards a great feast in the
Bush I brought letters to the House
Co about opening at Frances
Island where it always opens first
26th John, J.C. Birth Day a fine
Day 18th Sugaring to day about 26 lbs
did not come well of the moles I am
Cox and Willie McDougall slept to
night for the first had they tick up
them 27th Sunday Sun & Willie here
all day snowed some thawed some
gathered about 30 pails 28th fine
Wind high Raw Boiling cutting Bush
A Cutter crossed Summer Road
this Morning Rompelle & all
came across and went back shot a
Squirrel 29th About this time James Williams
departed on the King's Road Chopping stone wood
30th Ice opening slowly Sugaring in the Bush 31st in
the Bush Cutting Wood for the camp
about the 28th So Reynolds Child departed