

The rainy weather still continues. Got ready to go to Jarvis this afternoon, but owing to the showery weather had to give it up. Have been working ~~at~~ at sundry jobs during the day.

Have dug on the Mountain top of cabs, and Jesus has been most precious. The joy of the Lord is my strength indeed. My soul rejoices greatly in the Lord my Saviour.

The stormy weather that began on Saturday last has not left us yet. But still rages to day it has been mostly wind. I went down to Jarvis this afternoon to do several errands. Took three bushels of potatoes to Se. Miller, also a quart of clop to the mill. Brought home the crange food also. Found the roads terrible. Had to drive all right through.

I have been engaged at sundry jobs so long. The weather has continued to be windy with occasional fall of snow.

Laws by New Canadian of this week. What our dear friend Mrs. Rev. J. H. Caravan departed this life on Thursday last. She died at her home in Harriett after an illness of some three weeks duration. Her death was an exceedingly painful death.

The roads are in a dreadful state now. His [unclear] went out to [unclear] this forenoon and got a good idea of their condition. He called at Walker's our own way house and had dinner. Did not get home until about eight. Went over to Thomas Jackson's while at Walker's to see his cattle. He is getting a good start in the [unclear] and is taking good care of them.

Did not go out
to meeting to
day. The third
Sunday that we
have missed in
succession. I went
over to Mr. Crady's
church however
both morning and
evening. A stranger
preached for him
both morning and
evening whose name
was Buckley, an
evangelist from
the U. S. in Con-
nection with the
Adventists.
Have been much
puffed up and
inflated with
of darkness into light
to day.

I went out to
Grove with a quart
of chop to day.
It was pretty hard
work for the team
and I felt very
thankful when
I got home again.
Took dinner at
Mr. Barrett's and
had a very pleas-
ant little visit
with them. In
fact I always en-
joy going there so
much. They are
such nice folks.
Divided up some
two barrels of sugar
with William. Nothing
this evening
at all story part
and was blowing
all day.

I have been
 having a peculiar
 snow storm
 to day and last
 night. I do
 not remember
 ever experiencing
 such a powerful
 storm. A great
 quantity of snow
 has fallen, say
 a foot and a
 half of wet, heavy
 snow. The wind
 been kept blowing
 throughout the
 day at a stormy
 velocity and takes
 the care of stock.
 The doctor made
 a visit to the
 settlement of the

I spent the fore-
 noon in shovel-
 ing snow. This
 afternoon Mr. M.
 Phee and Kilby
 have been help-
 ing get in some
 logs to the mill.
 The snow paved
 and partly holed
 again.
 Felt sorry to see
 our last piece
 of the gale of
 yesterday. Have
 been told that
 a general block-
 ade of the rail-
 ways has taken
 place, on account
 of heavy drifts.

The snow is very unevenly divided on the ground, there being immense quantities in some places & not at all in others. We have got down some lumber to lay and got a lot of logs drawn in at the mill besides. Billy has been helping of course. Mr. M. has also got up on road or is from the mill.

The day has been dull & foggy and the snow has been melting fast.

Mr. M. G. and Billy brought home two loads each of lumber from the mill this forenoon. I have also been helping handle the lumber at the mill where we piled up all that was left that we could not draw home.

The weather has been warm and the roads bad. It was fortunate enough to sell my deck, some this evening to Mr. Royle of Parkersbrook for \$125.00

I went out to Hayes with Mr. W. & the Miss Foreman. Our lower side-road to the Ross Nest being blocked up with snow we had to go east to the old plank and to Snow then to Snow or nearly eight miles to Snow. The roads are very bad indeed.

Brought home out of James Main's -
holders from the
Hess & Jans.

filled up some
small claims also

On account of the almost impassible state of the roads we did not go to Church by day again. Being the fourth Sunday in succession that we have not gone for the same reason. Went over to Jim. Crady's Church however and heard the strange Rev. Mr. Buckley preach. The snow was very good indeed. I have enjoyed walking out of the snow into bright grass & day

It has been quite showery to day. The warm rain is helping to take off the snow nicely. The side roads are still impassible however.

Helped Kelly some this forenoon about plowing clovered. snow withstanding the rain. Got the field back of the barn all done. Have been working the new seed sower got from Wilson's farm. Have had some trouble with it though. Have been cutting wood this afternoon.

Mr. Reed having gone away yesterday to Port Hope it fell to my lot to carry the mail to day. The roads were very bad so I went out in foot. Took dinner at Stillman's. Stalked on the way, and walked down the railroad track. Visited the Canada Pacific car with samples of seed grain & c from the Northwest. Stalked home with the Stalk's girls who were also in bloom.

The past has
been an exceed-
ingly warm and
beautiful day.
Lions banks are
fast disappear-
ing, and the side
roads are much
more passible.

Went over to
Mr. William New-
ings this afternoon
to take some things
to him for the
Craze. Had Robert
Hixon and Barney
stand here this
afternoon for the
same purpose.
Had a visit from
Eva Hess and Miss
Sikins this eve-
ning.

I worked around
this forenoon
at sundry jobs
amongst other things
made a gate

This afternoon
I went up to
the Craze. Had
posed of all the
goods remaining
and got the order
of. Begun to

feel as though
I would like
to get rid of
the office of
secretary. It
goes with it
a good deal of
with a
quite a respon-
sibility, as well

Warmer weather
has come at
last and there
is every appear-
ance of its con-
tinuance.

I have been
very busy at
plumbers jobs,
mostly around
the house, cutting
wood and such
like. Am thank-
ful that the
mud is drying
up so fast.
The snow is
about all gone.
Heard some things
about Reed that
make me feel a
little discouraged
as to his prospects.

I Billy and I
went to the
place along the
side road near
to Challards this
forenoon. This
afternoon I went
to Hoveen with
the vector made
look me out also,
and left early
here until the
age to morning.
The weather has
been exceedingly
warm so far
and seems to
be getting warmer
every day. Called
at Hatters own
the way house
to see about some
business matters.

I went out to
 show this money
 to all the church.
 Found the roads
 pretty bad in places,
 they must
 better than for
 a long time past.
 Bro. Calvert
 preached, on a
 passage that has
 long been an
 interesting one to
 me, and yet, I
 never heard it
 preached from
 before - about
 jobs. His prayer to
 come home and
 went out again this
 this evening to hear
 the Root & Branch
 J. B. Clarke.

Has as being
 as ever this fore-
 noon at evening
 jobs. This after-
 noon I worked
 with the team on
 the field next to
 Callands. This af-
 ternoon. Bro. M.
 Phee and Billy not
 being home yet,
 having gone away
 yesterday. Found
 the ground quite
 fit to work.

Have enjoyed
 a discourse and
 more than that
 of last night in
 our church by
 J. B. Clarke. He
 claims relationship
 to Mr. Adam Clarke.

I went up to
Lincoln this fore-
noon, partly to
attend the Rev. W.
Lee's Orange meeting.
The latter was not
a success owing
to a lack in attend-
ance. Had my
dinner at George
Lee's, and a
nice visit with
them. Did a
bit of other bus-
iness besides, &
came home in
the dark.

The roads are
improving very
fast, having the
course almost
entirely dry.

I have been
engaged at a
great many dif-
ferent jobs to-
day. Put away
the harness and
shoulders this
forenoon. This
afternoon con-
sisted taking up
a pit of potatoes
but did not
exceed my feel-
ings as Mr.
W. Knight, man
came for some
seed oats and
I gave him some
helping him to
clean them up.
The weather was
much warmer
and dry.

I have been working away at sundry jobs this forenoon as usual. This afternoon I went out to blow out some business of my own. Carried the mail for Mr. Reid also, he being busy at his house. Bought six thousand blin-
gles of J. L. Collins to put on the new house and paid five dollars thereon. Paid one dollar & ninety cents per thousand. The weather is still remarkably warm.

Mr. Pless just called saying the field next to Challaids will not be done. We have also commenced working in the front field where we intend to sow barley. The ground works rather hard this year.owing I think to the last heavy snow storm following by very warm dry weather. I have been working in the garden today getting ground ready to plant strawberries &c.

Worked at
 putting some of
 dates this forenoon.
 This afternoon
 went out to blow
 to send away some
 money for state change
 mostly. ~~From~~
 took Mr. ~~Smith's~~ mail
 out and back also.
 The weather has
 changed at last
 and become quite
 cool. The occasion
 of shower was
 fallen throughout
 the day. Mr. ~~Smith~~
 have been able
 to plough this af-
 ternoon however
 sold a young calf
 to Alexander Miller
 for three dollars this
 evening.

Look was out
 to church this
 morning. Had
 an excellent
 Easter service
 from our Mrs.
 Calvert. Had
 dinner at Will-
 iam Hall on the
 way home, to
 do chores. Went
 out again this
 evening. Had
 an unusual
 service, adapted
 to Easter. It
 was composed in
 great part of
 psalms, and was
 a great success.
 The church was
 crowded with
 people.

The cool weather of yesterday was tonight in another fall of rain & thunder & some this time, and more moderate temperature.

I have been busy at a great many jobs today. Succeeded in cleaning out the black dust from our cherry and plum trees this afternoon. Do not see as they have increased although it is now years since we began fighting it.

I went out to Haver this afternoon, partly to take the mail for Reid; but mostly to see after some other matters. Mr. P. P. and Billy went to mill for me and for themselves today. They had quite a time getting both out and not our own case. James Holcomb and wife were here this evening after trees cherry and plum & sprouts, etc.

Set out straw-berry plants. This forenoon besides picking out some raspberry-bushes that I got at Mr. Barrells yesterday.

This afternoon however I have been delivering notices for my friend G. W. Loomis. Did not get started until nearly three o'clock, but got as far as Kankakee and drove about many miles to get there. Stayed overnight at Mr. Isaac Patton's. They are well and Methodist people.

Started good Mr. Patton in good time this morning. Has much interest in the country through which I passed, especially along the Lake shore. Got as far west as Kankakee for dinner. Put in the afternoon as faithful as possible and brought up at Mr. J. Carpenter where I am staying over night. Have taken a good deal of pleasure in traveling through the country to day.

Went out riding
 this morning and
 I got up, and I
 had still a num-
 ber of notes to
 take around -
 nearly all in
 the village however.
 Started in the be-
 ting East storm
 and finally con-
 sulted the path.
 Went afterwards
 to the farm where
 the delivery was
 being made and
 got the approval
 of my friend.
 brought home the
 deer this evening
 then the caribou
 found things all
 right.

I have ^{seen} ~~seen~~ ^{readily}
 all day setting
 out pear trees
 and fixing an
 asparagus bed.
 Set out my first
 Niagara grape
 vine also. Put
 out twenty four
 pear trees in all
 mostly in the back
 yard. The ground
 is now about
 filled up with
 trees. The
 canoe house was
 afternoon. From
 Port Hope, where
 she has been
 waiting for
 a week and will
 go home next

Ma and I went out to the quarterly meeting to day. Our church in Post House was crowded, almost. The largest turnout that I remember for years. Had a very good time. The day being with us. Took dinner with Miss Giles. Be. Fox coming home. A shower of rain caught us on the way home, but we drove into Buckle's Joe. Mr. Haller for an hour or so. till the rain was over.

I have been very busy to day getting out or rather planting my garden seeds such as onion, carrots &c. Mr. Reed has been helping part of the time. Mr. W. has had got started plowing the ground field the barley. Drilled the Manning barley out in the road. Mr. Reed is making some progress with his stone now - a couple of stones being at work on it most of the time.

Have been
working in the
garden again
to day so usual.
Let out a number
of Crows and other
Black Cap and
berry plunk. Some
from our own stock.
Have found there
to be the most
valuable of our
treasures in
every respect.
Mr. Mc. has ju-
st sowed the
good field to
day. Just in
time for a shower
of rain, which
is falling to
night.

Was out to
dormer to garden
to day to take some
eggs and so do some
making. We took
dinner and
at New. H. Colch-
more and old
this last time it
may be for some
time as it is
leave garden this
spring for another
winter this time
being up. Had
a group of
visit with three
best friends.
The words were
exceedingly bad.
to the day
Commissary

Worked away
 this forenoon
 at my various
 jobs as usual.
 This afternoon
 however I went
 out to Dover to
 attend our May
 Quarterly Devotion
 meeting. Had a
 searching time
 in some respects
 especially about
 the character of
 various members.
 How fearful that
 a deficiency will
 have to be reported
 for the next year
 in respect to
 shall be sorry to
 need to see this.

I have been
 engaged attending
 the bones, pick-
 ing trees and
 burning brush
 with other jobs
 too numerous to
 mention. Mr.
 H. Thurmond & Billy
 have been work-
 ing out on the
 Big Flat to day.
 The weather has
 been quite cool
 with a strong
 east wind blow-
 ing with some
 appearance of
 a storm.
 Our tractor work
 is progressing
 nicely. Hope to
 see it plus by and by.

I have con-
 tinued to work
 away at our
 back yard getting
 it cleared up
 and the work done.
 This afternoon I
 went out to leave
 with ~~my~~ the
 mail for Mr. Reid
 he being very busy
 at raising the
 building for the
 store and post
 office.
 Mr. Carpenter
 was here this after-
 noon and got a
 receipt of \$5.00 for the
 Reg. Station for Hall.
 Had a visit from
 Mr. Alexander Blair
 also.

We did not go
 out to church
 this morning, but
 went out this
 evening instead.
 An excellent dis-
 course was del-
 ivered by the
 Rev. Mr. William
 -son. Topic, "Horrid"
 Subject - "The prayer
 of the watered
 glass available
 much". Some
 good points were
 made. One in
 particular I re-
 member, viz. of
 the encouragement
 we should receive
 from the fact that
 our man alone is
 mentioned.

The most of the time of day rain has been falling. It ceased about the middle of the afternoon however, just in time for me and I to go out to our Anniversary Tea meeting which came off this evening. The attend-ance was very good considering the state of the roads & weather. Tea was served in the skating rink and the concert held in the lower hall.

Ribby and I have been getting the logs on the roll way at the mill today. Got the last of them all in this afternoon. Also a couple of loads more drawn home. The rain yesterday has cleared off warm again for all the preceding days done. This spring. As a consequence all manner of veget-ation is very forward consider-ing the time of year.

Billy and I got up the balance of the hay gone. The little barn in the woods or the open field. I have since been getting lumber piled up at the mill. Bought home a couple of loads. The weather has been very fine so last & quite warm.

Our horse mare gave me a bad foot last night and did well. Her coat is quite smart, and requires no attention.

Billy & Mr. J. G. are still ploughing corn ground.

Have been engaged this forenoon with a usual at laundry job. This afternoon I went up to the Orange Hall, it being the time of the regular monthly Orange meeting. There was no one there however so I went down to Mr. H. H. P. near Haverhill after a good fair pump for spraying my plums. Also got one for the twenty five cents. Called at Haverhill on the way home.

MAY

FRIDAY, 14

1886

Worked this fore-
noon at getting
ready to go to mill
with a great lot
of wheat and clop.
This afternoon
took it to Ross
mill as I intend-
ed. Drove over to
Douglas and got
a wounded ~~the~~ with
drain pipes for
a cellar drain
paid eighty cents
for lumber.
Has good water in
getting home to
night just in
time to escape
a good wetting.
Rain is again fall-
ing plentifully.

MAY

SATURDAY, 15

1886

A very heavy
rain fell last
night and quite
a frost today.
George Leonard
stayed with us
last night and
I gave him and
other orders for
year trees, he pro-
mising to give me
the job of dis-
tributing his
notices next spring
as pay. Went
out to Dover
this afternoon
with Mr. Reed's
mail. Had some
business of my
own to do.

Did not go to
meeting this morn-
ing ourselves but
stayed at home
~~and~~ in order to
let King and his
wife go instead.
Took ma out
this evening, and
had a very good
meeting.

Have been much
blessed in reading
"Out of Darkness
into Light"; so day
the words taken of
the truths of God
and shews them
to us so plainly.
The word seedless
more and more
precious grows
day to day.

Turned out
several calls for
day for the
first this Spring
then pasturing
the field next to
Mr. Bridges where
we want to get
a crop of feed
afterwards. Grass
has become quite
scarce for this
season of the year.
Fruit trees have
flooded and the
plum trees most of
all. Never saw
a greater loss
yet for fruit
they at present.
What is making
a very poor
show however.

Have been
engaged much
as usual to
day. Went down
to G. R. R. to
see about getting
some stone, also
to Waller. The
rains have pre-
vented the raising
of stone so far.
I am rejoicing
greatly in my
these days. He
has become my
strength and my
and his great
salvation excid-
ingly precious.
I do want to
glorify him in
every possible
way.

Have been work-
ing around the
house at sundry
jobs and in the
garden to day.
Went up to Kenale
John. Matthews to
dinner, and be-
ing there at a
quilting. The
weather contin-
ues fine and
Mr. Phes are
improving it
by getting the
corn ground
ready. The
windy wet
weather has
made the ground
work hard and
unfavourably
for corn.

Mr. W. P. has
 have been getting
 the big field ready
 for ploughed corn
 for hay. They have
 also drilled in
 some peas in
 some field. Spent
 the forenoon in
 fixing the fence
 across the creek
 to keep cattle out
 of the wheat.

This afternoon
 have been work-
 ing in the gar-
 den. It is very
 thankful to see
 some dry weather
 come at last.
 Feeding cows now
 is completed.
 through later.

I have been
 working with the
 team getting the
 remaining portion
 of our garden
 ploughed, harrowed
 and marked with
 the plough one
 way for potatoes
 & corn. Got it
 all done to night
 except marking
 the other way. Mr.
 Keif has been
 helping. Billy
 has been plow-
 ing corn in
 the south end of
 the big field.
 The weather
 continues very fine.
 Some changes in
 us progress with us.

Mr. Mc. Kipe and
 Billy finished plant-
 ing the potatoes
 some 20 days in
 the Northern part
 of the North East
 comes field.

I have been
 working away at
 sundry jobs to
 day. I planted
 quite a few
 potatoes this
 evening, in
 the garden.

Lark Stalk
 went to Mr. Brock
 this evening
 to spend a day
 or so, on
 General's birthday.
 Mr. Reed drove
 her down on

Porter, and
 Martha, out to
 this morning. Had
 a very good evening
 from Mr. Brock
 after is just home
 from college.
 He seems to be
 a very good young
 man and prom-
 ised to be very
 useful. I have
 not been feeling
 very well of
 late and from
 this reason, partly
 I leave not to
 enjoy the services
 of the sanctuary.
 As I should not
 the joy of the
 song is very clearly

Have been
 planting po.
 atoes in the
 garden to day.
 Had Emma Hall
 and Miss Essie
 Pills of Carma
 to dinner with
 us and was per-
 vailed upon to
 drive them down
 to Jarvis this eve-
 ning. Went to
 the race course
 for a little while
 and saw some
 good sport. Heard
 new piece a
 thing done in
 my life before &
 don't want to
 give. The weather
 has become quite wet.

Worked at cut-
 ing wood part of
 the forenoon.
 Went up to Lin-
 coln this afternoon
 to see about cer-
 tain matter. Look
 some seed corn
 back the (running
 factory, and got
 credit for it.
 Had tea at Flor-
 ence and saw
 Miss Alice Bell
 there - a young
 lady of whom
 I have often
 heard but never
 seen. Had a
 cold ride home
 the weather
 having become
 quite disagreeable.

Our girl came back from her Green's Birdseye expedition this morning.

I have been doing errands so day nearly the whole time.

Saw John Mass first. Went from there to the cheese factory, then to St. Wats, and from there to King and finally to George Ryerson. Went out to Hovee this evening after a play to place for one of our Capt. J. J. J.

Worked away at my different jobs this forenoon as usual. Went out to Hovee this afternoon, partly to take kids' mail, but mostly to attend the adjourned Recisterly meeting in the church. Came sorry that a deficiency has occurred in our ministerial salary from the Woodhouse appointment. Got along amicably with our meeting excepting about the deficiency. The weather is quite cool & bright.

Ma and I went up to Uncle Holmes Matthews & day to ahead a birthday dinner. It being Uncle Holmes' Seventy eighth birthday. Had a very pleasant time visiting the friends there. About sixty were present. Nearly all old or middle aged people. Came home by noon where we stopped to get some necessaries.

The cool weather is slowly but surely passing off with but just

Mr. McPhet have been sowing peas in the field north of Mine Lane today. I have been out to drive a couple of times this forenoon & see a load of flooring and this afternoon after a load of brick. Are getting the cattle from an old cellar built by G. Hibson a good many years ago. Intend to put them into a well for Mr. Phelps.

The weather is becoming quite warm.

Went out to
 I went out to
 meeting Miss
 Miss. Our Rev.
 Calvert preached
 us a very excellent
 sermon. I ^{think} have
~~not~~ been so long
 time with me and
 not know me
 Philip? He re-
 mained to the Sab-
 ath school and
 evening preaching.
 Look over dinner
 at Mr. Stripes. I
 had my tea at
 Mr. Hills. Sym-
 phise deeply with
 Mrs Hill, on account
 of trouble in his
 family from going
 woman

Went out to
 Room after an
 other load of Mack
 to day. Intend
 making a visit
 with them for
 Mr. McPherson. My
 is short visit
 from. William
 Stables this eve-
 ning. Let him
 leave about 10
 o'clock if my paid
 if the north com
 for seed. He a-
 greeing to have
 seed for me
 again. This will
 have been very
 happy in God's
 hand. I expect
 day. I expect a
 prize, for I think

Got up a couple
 of loads of lime.
 Above this morning
 to put in Mr.
 Mc. Pherson's cellar.
 Went out this af-
 ternoon to get an-
 other load of brick
 This load makes
 about sixteen
 hundred altogether.
 Mr. Mc. Pherson has
 finished plowing
 peas to day on
 the field by
 Horse Barn.
 My experience
 is quite varied.
 But the joy of the
 Lord is only strength.
 He has been very
 gracious to me of
 late.

Haul a couple
 more loads of
 stone from Black
 this forenoon also.
 This afternoon
 when Billy has
 been helping
 at plowing of land
 till about four
 o'clock which was
 went us from
 getting the balls
 away remaining
 of the two and a
 quarter loads.
 Had quite a
 time getting out
 two last load
 home on a
 count of the
 slippery road.
 The Lord
 my Shepherd.

Billy and I
got all a load
of stone each
from Pink Quarry
this morning. I have
brought two cords
and a quarter
stone altogether.
Got to work at
dipping the cellar
afterwards which
we are doing
smoothly with the
plough, and a crow-
bar. We find it
a very rapid way.
If making exca-
vations I am com-
pared with the
shovel and wheel-
barrow. More than
twice as fast I am
sure.

We finished
our cellar this
afternoon after
about one day
and a half work.
Got it nearly
ready for the
stone work. It
is 12 by 18 ft. in
width, and nearly
seven feet in
depth.

Looking for
narrow gips down
to the factory this
evening. There were
two black, one
spotted and one
white one. Had
not mark. Had
as I should have
noticed, but missed
them to my regret.

Got to work at laying the wall of Mr. McPherson's cellar to day. Have made some progress although somewhat slow. We made a ditch underneath the cellar wall some six inches lower than the floor and filled with round hard-bricks, in order to furnish drainage. The building being stone-work.

Ross took away my two sters to day. They have been gone for eight or nine months and are fine fellows.

Did not go out to church. Survived this morning, but went this evening instead and got Mr. and Mrs. Wiley out ~~to~~ in our places for the morning service.

Have been greatly blessed in my reading and meditation during the past days. The Saviour was never more precious than of late and present and kindly interest in my welfare more warmly real.

Heard Bro. Daniel Hooley preach to night.

Had a short
visit from my
old friend and
brother Mr. John
Meneke of Man-
itoke this mor-
ning. William
Halls came also
after some years.
But time have
six barrels, for
which he paid me
\$5.00. per bar.

Washed six twelve
sheep after dinner.
Had some time to
work at our cellar
wall. Mr. and
Mrs. Clarke came
this evening and
looked over with us
to see.

Have been work-
ing away at the
Mr. Alex. Cebas and
to day Billy and
Eddie have been
helping as usual.
Have got about
half done with
the cellar wall.
Mr. W. Free has
been getting the
frames ready to
put together.
Prospects of rain
have passed away
and we are
likely to have
a drought.
This exceedingly
happy in the La-
vibion. Cover seed
and there is a pec-
tial harvest time.

We have all
been away working
on the road to
day doing statute
labour. I have
put in seven
days the first
day, out of eight
altogether. This
is the largest amount
of roadwork that
I've ever had,
in my remembrance.

The day has been
beautiful and well
suited for work, although
quite dry.

It is sometimes said
that some roots of willow
remain in my heart
and pecking their
cuttle regional at the
wants of my life.

Worked on the
roads again to
day, all of us,
fixing up
my own share
of fourteen days
to night. I have
been holding the
plough myself
all day. Some
of the ground
was very hard.
The time is ex-
ceedingly well
occupied these
days. Rarely
have I since so
often thought of any
thing but work.
God's grace is
sufficient to keep
me down however
I will cease and
be glad all my days!

Billy and Eddie finished up the ballance of our roadwork so far. Had sixteen days including repairs.

I went up to Lincoln, partly to take a great of chop to the mill. Had another meet. Had to look after at the bank also. Came home with out dinner and felt all right for a wonder. It usualy makes me sick. Made some purchases for the new house, of nails &c. Out to the bank about 11

Billy and I worked at fixing fences this forenoon and this afternoon. I went out to Dover with Reed's mail and to see after some matters of business of my own. Being that my two steers had weighed 418 + 419 lbs. Respective-ly, for which all went me seven cents all around. The whole amount amounting to \$5.89. Cost I on about 30¢ each. Fixed more fence this evening.

JUNE

SUNDAY, 13

1886

Went out to
 church this morn-
 ing as usual.
 Look ~~over~~ Bertha
 and Sarah with
 me. Bro. Calvert,
 who returned from
 conference during
 the past week was
 with us and has ev-
 idently received
 much inspiration
 from the conference
 meetings. His per-
 son was about
 what I think of
 Christ, and
 contained many
 profitable thoughts
 and suggestions.
 Shipped to C. &
 had good lunch. Rain
 etc.

JUNE

MONDAY, 14

1886

Have had Robert
 Austin digging
 a well at Mr. Phoebe's
 house to day. He
 is a great well
 digger apparently
 as he has got
 thirteen or four
 feet done
 to night. Mr.
 Phoebe has been
 working away
 at his work
 as usual.
 He has got star-
 ted putting up
 rafters. His son
 Billy has
 got started. C. &
 used the pasture
 field next to Mr.
 Phoebe for seed.

Robert Cassin
 finished digging
 the well ~~with~~
 after noon. He
 down twenty four
 feet altogether.
 He has also got
 the well bricked
 up, all but
 eleven feet from
 the surface. I
 think that the
 prospect is good
 for the farm people
 if water will
 come it get start-
 ed or filled up.
 Took the mail
 out for Reid this
 afternoon. He
 being away yet
 from home.

It rained for
 about one ho-
 ur out to 11 o'clock
 after a load of
 brick to day.
 But, the timber
 was a very little
 spent as for
 I hope at some
 day. The season con-
 tinues remarkable
 for abundance
 of rain and
 fine growth
 of all kinds of
 being nicely
 and hay. The
 probability is
 for the day
 always.

Had quite a
rain this morn-
ing, so we did
not do a great
deal except
planning board
wards for Mr.
McPherson however
Mr. and I went
out to Dodge this
afternoon. Got
the road of brick
and sent Mr. Reed
home with them
while we and I
stayed to the show
Duchy festival in
Harris Pavilion.
Made something
over fifty dollars
observed as col-
lector at the gate dur-
ing the evening.

Robert Austin
came this morn-
ing and finished
up the well at
McPherson. Got it
done in good style.
Took a load of
siding up. No
time for the
planning mill
brought it home
yesterday evening. Found the
roads rather
heavy, from
the rain of
yesterday. Got
back by one
hour however.
The Good Lord
has continued
to manifest His
self to my soul.

I have been
 extremely busy
 today. Worked at
 the collar from
 this forenoon till
 afternoon I could
 not sleep
 sleep. Got things
 done after four
 or five o'clock.
 The weather is
 quite cool again
 since the last
 storm on Thursday.
 Forgot to say that
 the cattle took one
 more course off from
 the foundation and
 laid it to the feet
 in more abundance.
 But little damage
 done to the
 animal however.

Ma. and I went
 out to home to
 meeting this morn-
 ing. Our brother
 Calbert gave us
 a very interesting
 discourse. Had
 an old fashioned
 class meeting
 afterwards. We
 do not like them
 so well as the
 fellowship meeting
 where the three
 classes are met
 in same room
 at the same time.
 It remained to
 Sunday - school
 and evening
 preaching. We
 enjoyed the day
 very much.

The said I went
 out to Row with
 invitation of E. W.
 Leeson to a pic-
 nic. Only six were
 in attendance,
 consisting of Mr.
 Leeson's family &
 Mrs. J. Mr. Hains
 Erie Park is a
 very pleasant place
 for a pic-nic. The
 Pavilion is splen-
 did and has a
 fine view of the
 Lake & Harbor.
 The grounds soon
 become a popular
 place of resort to
 all the country ar-
 round, as well
 as contiguous cities.

I was more en-
 gaged at Sunday
 got to day. Worked
 part of forenoon
 at the H. C. Mill
 where I saw
 which by the way
 is getting pretty
 well done.
 The boys have
 been cultivating
 corn. The weather
 is rainy, nearly
 by all the time.
 Things are
 growing finely
 and prospects
 are good for
 all crops except
 wheat, which
 can scarcely
 receive the winter
 killing.

Mr. Keig took me down to the railway this morning and I went with the Presbyterian excursion to the Falls. Got down by a few minutes past one o'clock, and so had nearly all the day at the Falls. Went at once to Mr. Skinner's mostly to see my dear young Nellie. Of course we were glad to see each other, on at least as we both said. Had a pleasant visit with her & then

Have been working at the Mc. Pherson cellar drain again today. She thanks me to say that the drain is at least well with some, or rather dry.

Had a visit from three very lady friends, Miss Leary and the two Miss Riddells. To say Mr. Brown, the Grange, travelled was also here. Went to the Falls to night to give a few to the Rev. A. C. Smith

- Looked away
 at the drain
 to lay again
 intended to have
 some up to them
 - See this after
 you go to mass
 meeting where
 Mr. Blake is one
 of the speakers.
 Did not go home,
 believing that
 it would be most
 better to stay at
 home and sleep
 - sleep. Had quite
 a fall of rain
 this afternoon
 but having got
 the sheep up before
 could work any
 at them. Only been
 twelve this year.

- I have been
 working away at
 the ^{the} Mc. Phie cilia
 drain again to
 lay as usual.
 Got the tile laid
 and the ditch
 partly filled in.
 It has been a
 long, hard job
 and I am very
 thankful to have
 it so near done.
 Billy has been
 cutting grass
 in the new
 ground field
 this afternoon.
 Mr. Mc. Phie is
 getting along well
 - the white that house.
 It is nearly ready
 to shingle again.

He did not go out to meeting this morning as usual but let Mr. & Mrs. Reid go in our places. He went out this evening however and had a good discourse from my brother. Did not enjoy it so much as at some other times however. Have felt so dull and stupid from the effect of the weather and hard work through the week.

Have been helping Mr. McPherson most of the time today at the dilapidated his house. Billy has got the new growing field of grass about cut.

Mrs. and I went out to Hodge this evening to attend a lecture of the B. Clarke Socy. His and Wifern. It was a great treat although I was hindered some from enjoying it by reading the book Mr. Clarke is a descendant of the Clarke

Have been engaged at similar jobs this forenoon. Most of the time however, have been helping Mr. McPherson through on his house. Have got it about done.

Went up to Simcoe this afternoon to see about Seniors note, at Harry Crofts. Found that Senior had not seen them & look after it, much less paid it. It was due to day. Last day. Have my card at four months. So much for my card.

I went up to Simcoe to day with a load of flooring for Mr. Steinboffs, plaining mill. Took some thin boards also for siding.

Brought back a load of siding for Reid and left at his store.

Forgot to say that I took four hundred feet of flooring to Steinboffs.

Had this Victor Strawberry festival this evening. It was a very nice time. Over two hundred present. Proceeds to the new building at Hill walk.

I have been working in the garden today with all my strength. King it up hill work. The weeds having dew allowed to get a good start. It has been quite warm & the weather has the appearance of a dry spell. The Phoebe have got at the new garden field & have put it all in the drive-lane. Eleven loads from the seven acres. I believe it very fine hay.

Went up to Linc-
col again today
to take up another
load of flooring
for the planks.
Had some five
sundred and
six or seven feet
on this load.
Brought down
load of stone, door
frames and
dow. saw & c.
It seems to take
so much work
securing & c. for
building. And
thankful that
the end seems
to be drawing
near.