Diary from
Lacy 1st 1878
to
July 14th 1878

January 1st 1878

The first day of a new year has again dawned upon us 1877 is as a tale that is told its history may be written as another an eventful one the depression that has prevailed in the commercial world for the past four years is still weighing down our business men and though the crop & the husbandman has been a most prolific one and the prices paid have been quite up to the average for years past yet it seems to have so far contributed but little towards a revival of business the winter so far has been unprecedently mild so far we have had no snow and but little frost the plough has been going most of the month of December and to day has been as mild as many a November day to night there is an appearance of rain the day has been a very quiet one even the old custom of New Years calling seems to have been affected by the general

depression that is prevailing
ing on every hand and ma
few have been made hum
spent the day supply very
quitly indeed made tho
these calls to me seem
neighbours otherwise
at home family em
ployed with ordinary hous
hold duties and now that
the day has closed we have
a quit fire side with o
many comforts
that should be kept grateful
feelings to the giver of all
good whose mercies ha
so far outnumbered our
desert

Jany 2d 1878

a cold clear sunshiny winter day have been in London to day in connection with the British Institute soon to I find matters and things about as quiet there as here few people about and apparently but little business doing attended a meeting of the Board of trade this evening a slim attendance and but little done I find me own fire side about as comfortable as any place and to me quite as enjoyable so in shift pen and blotting down unto a good fire I will close up the exercises of the day by eating an apple and enjoying a sociable chat with my better half

Thursday Jany 3

This has been another of those fine winter days for which this country is famous a clear cool burning air went down to my office this A.M. not feeling well came home at noon quite sick and have been laid up till now about ten oclock begin to feel better rest of family pretty well

Friday
~~Thursday~~ June 4th
Have been engaged all day
in conjunction with D.M. Ro
berts in a case of assault-
taking up the time from 10 a
till 6 P.M. when we adjourn
till two tomorrow to give jus
ment the day has been a ju
winter day a clear frosty an
spent the evening at home

5th
Saturday no thing of perce
to day a good many peop
in town but little busines
doing been in my opin
most of the day a little sno
has fallen so that it look
more like winter to night
it is snowing again so that
we may have snow enoug
for light & lighting by mun
ing another week close to
night how short they seem
to be now 1878 is now fairly
on its journey what will
it bring forth in this ever
ful period of the worlds
history its future can
only be revealed to us
day by day as it pro
gresses

Sunday June 6th 1875
Have been at home all day rain-
ing the snow of last night did
not amount to much to day
has been a fine warm day
a little snow falling at in-
tervals not much this evening
quite frosty but not much
prospect of a harvest full of
snow

Monday June 7/78
another fine cold winter day
the snow did not amount to
much last night although the
sleighs are running to day has
been in London the most of the
day on my return this evening
found there had been an
accident the horse had run
away with Aggie and Mrs
Mason spilling them out of
the cutter hurting Mrs Mason
some somewhat about the
head hope not seriously
Aggie escaped with a slight-
shock not hurt evening
fine and cold

Tuesday Jany 8th 1878
A mild June day slaughs are beginning to run more or less there is not much snow for have been employed in my office all day the invalids of last evening are better to day so I hope no bad effects will follow rest of the family pretty well

Wednesday Jany 9th
Still mild with a slight proportion of rain a little more snow last evening & night is now better to day and the town looks a little more lively has been an idle day with me the winter is rapidly passing away one can almost now see a visible difference in the length of the days

Thursday Jany 10th
Another quiet day misty with slight rain much doing being in my office to night morning premises to be all

quite soft rain no more

all day the snow gone by

Friday June 11th

Much the same as yesterday were
ther very mild and getting stop
py very little doing go down to
my as a sort of formal matter
but business very slack took
with Mrs Chrisholm Thus ev
ning along with Mrs Chadwick
feeling very unwell from dys
pepsia which produces a most
terrible despondency home about
9 put ten and went to bed

Saturday June 12th

Still very soft and sloppy even
nearly all gone daughter Effie
left us this morning to go to
Woodstock returning to her school
after Christmas Vacation came
home from office this afternoon
quite sick and suffered a good
deal all through the night
the effect of this terrible dyspep
sia which has been troubling
me for some time past

Sunday June 13

This has been another very mild
day a most singular winter
ter unprecedented to me
and I am getting to be re
ther an old settler now

Thursday June 17th
Still very mild enjoyed in
my office all day but
little doing in the eve
ning went to the town Hall
to hear some speeches
about offering much closer
pastal it is strange what
crowds will go to see men
make caricatures of them
selves felt out of place
there very much

Friday June 18th
A beautiful bright sun shi
ny day almost like an
April day was in Woodstock
during the forenoon in my
return held a Magistrates
Court for the trial of some
unruly boys who were con
victed and fined in the
evening heard a Lecture
on Dahomi, given by a Mr
Fairbs

Saturday June 19
This has been more like an
April day than the mid
dle of June a warm ge
nial sun all day have

been in London returned at-
2.40 P.M. town quite lively with
people but little business
doing

Sunday Jany 20
It has been raining all day
most and disagreeable
been in the house all day
dull enough has to quite poorly
with a cold

Monday Jany 21 "
Mild and fine all day took
my seat at the Council to
day at 11 o'clock & the as Mayor
held a short meeting of the
Council and adjourned till
7 P.M. when we had a long
meeting got home near 10 o'clock
and went to bed

Tuesday Jany 22
This has been almost a dis-
with me got up with a bad
head ache went down to my
office but was obliged to return
shortly and go to bed where
I have been most of the day
to night is one of the most blus-
tery of the season wind and
snow a big storm

Wednesday Jany 23
A cold westerly day
day there yesterday but not
feeling very well have been
in my office all day in the
evening delivered a lecture
in Y.M.C.A. Hall to a small
audience who seemed to
appreciate it as I was
requested to deliver it again

Thursday Jany 24th
Cold feeling unwell to day all
all got up with a nasty
head ache went to my
fire stand till noon after
dinner went to work
stork the day has been dull
lightful quite mild and
sunshiney a very stamp
winter

Friday Jany 25th
Have been in London to day
it has been quite soft and
raining in the evening went
to the Burns anniversary festival
to night quite a concert gather
ing got home a little after
ten to be a misty drizzling night

Saturday June 26
Still very soft and wet in my opinion all day held two Magistrates Courts during the day came home in the evening quite sick with a cold in the head went to bed early suffering a good deal from my head

Sunday June 27
Felt much better this morning have Rested in the House all day it has been snowing a little but barely enough to cover the ground very quiet at home

Monday June 28
Quite relieved from the ef vere cold I have been in London to day attending to business connected with the British and Continental Hotel Company Limited a Private Limited Company of which I am Chairman attended a meeting of the School Board and after that went to a meeting in the Music Hall to hear a Colonel Mean give a discourse on e- ternal punishment a Future

Tuesday June 29
This has been a most delightful day cold and clear have not been feeling well in my office the forenoon in the afternoon went to the Elgin to attend the meeting of the Reform Association quite a gathering got home about six oclock in the evening attended a meeting of the Council

Wednesday June 30
Have been employed all day with a Magistrates Court cold and Easterly wind indicating a snow storm

Thursday June 31
Went to Hamilton this morning a very blustery windy day quite a hurricane of wind and dust one could scarcely see across the Street in Hamilton attended a meeting of the Canada Fire Board from there went to Toronto a very heavy snow storm setting in on Toronto about ½ past 6 P.M. & took at the Rossin House

Friday July 1st
There has been quite a fall of snow during the night Sleighs will be running now the Journey of the Beaver has Board: and got Home about 1/2 past eight P.M. Toronto seems very quiet a general feeling of dullness prevailing

Saturday July 2
This has been a very fine day indeed after the Forenoon we have had went to Sunday at one o'clock and we turned about 1/2 past five P.M. quite a bright sun shine all day

Sunday July 3
Another delightful day though a cold sharp night the sun has shone very brightly all day went to our usual Morning in the afternoon heard the Yankee use of the Plymouth brethren much edified by his simple and Juvenile enunciations of Gospel truths

Thursday July 4
A bright clear sunshiny day
went to Monkstadt this morn
ing in my office the after
noon in the evening attend
ed a meeting of the Coun
cil Kept out quite late

Tuesday July 5th
Felt quite unwell in getting
up this morning went to
my office at ten held a few
minutes Court adjourned till
2 P.M. Got thro over and home
to come home and go to bed
a bright sunshine all
day and quite mild

Wednesday July 6
Better this morning busy in
my office all day not feeling
first rate we have sun
shine and fine days in succes
sion without a cloud to
be seen the sun mild
and at times quite warm

Thursday July 7th
Still very fine and mild looks
as if we were nearing a chinook
wind in the East spent the evening
at the Chemtopkins very pleasantly

Friday Feby 8th
A wet drizzley day the Earth mud
& yesterday has bloom like a warm
storm it is very mild a very strange
winter things are Ripening & each
ingly dull business seems to be perfect-
ly stagnated every one complain
ing the hardest times we have
for many years

Saturday Feby 9
A fine mild day went to Sunbu
this A.M. returned at 2.45 P.M.
Mrs L met me at the station
and we went on to Sunbury to
My brother in law Mr Geo Sunbury
arrived all right a little after
7 P.M. found them all well &
pleasing us and glad to see us

Sunday Feby 10th
Spent this day in the house not
feeling well it is a little misty
has been snowing during the
night so that the sleighing will
be good now if it keeps cold

Monday Feby 11th
Felt rather better to day went
down town and called upon
several old friends not much
change here rather stationary people

Tuesday July 12th
Quite mild again and thun-
dery have been quite poorly to-
day and spent the day lay-
ing upon the sofa bitter
towards night went out in
the evening and delivered a
lecture in the Hall of the Mechan-
ics Institute for the benefit
of that Institution had a
very nice audience not very
large but very appreciative

Wednesday July 13th
Up early this morning intending
to start for home but so un-
well I could not hold my
head up spent the whole
day upon the sofa

Thursday July 14th
Up early again this morning
very poorly though a little
better than yesterday started
for home at 7 A.M. got here
never 12 noon found all well
have been enfeebled all after-
noon at the convention of the
Dairymens association in the
evening two friends up to tea
and after the session closed with
them spent the night with us

Friday July 15
State engaged about the same
time most of the day it has
been a very successful one
and closed about 4 P.M. all
apparently well satisfied
very mild & snow nearly gone

Saturday July 16th
Another very fine mild day
have been in London to day
returned at 2.45 P.M. feeling
better than I have done for a
part week

Sunday July 17th
Quite a snow storm last
night several inches have
fallen but the day has been
mild and warm so that
the snow has melted a
good deal was called up
about twelve last night
to go and assist in getting
a drunken row never by the
result was an old woman
had a hot time and Pat
the of hot water thrown upon
her which resulted in
her death before morning
was enquired till near
o'clock

Thursday Feby 18th
a very fine day again in
my office all day in the eve
ning attended the Coroners
inquest held to enquire into
the cause of the death of the
old woman referred to yes
terday occupied till very
late a sharp cold night
did not get home till
one o'clock in the morning

Tuesday Feby 19
Indications of a change of
weather in my office all
day it looks very like snow
this afternoon which com
menced falling about
six P.M about 7 the Sack
ers my Brother in Law from
Simcoe came in to spend
the night

Wednesday Feby 20th
Was awoken from after
twelve last night by the
alarm of fire a large Ho
tel in town the Allenter
House was burned a total
wreck up very early this
morning Mr Sanderson is

leave by the 1/2 past 6 A.M. train
and we are to attend the
wedding of our youngest
son Charles at eight A.M.
got it all over in good time
and the newly married pair
left for some where on the
9.20 train there was quite a
snow storm last night several
inches of snow fell
but to day has been very mild
and a good deal of it has
thawed off

Thursday July 21
A wet drizzly day very slushy
in the Streets and side walks
the slaughtering is spoiled again
I have been employed a good deal
of the day in the Bench Mens
Jury in trying some parties
for selling liquor illegally
home early and spent the
evening at our own fire
side

Friday July 22
Still raining very mild all
day spent the evening Mrs
L & I at the Walls a pleas
and quiet social evening

Saturday July 23
Still moist & rainy this has
been a dies non with me have
been upon my back sick
till evening very sloppy & wet
no sign of cold weather it
is now the latter part of July
and we have scarce had a
week of real cold weather this
winter so far

Sunday July 24th
A little colder than yesterday
but thawing a little during the
middle of the day I & self
self went to our chapel in the
morning heard a sermon from
the text of Adam & Eve clothing
themselves with the fig leaves
and the Lord clothing them
with the skins of wild beasts
drawing the comparison between
the clothing made by man and
that made by the Lord the
comparison was good though
the speaker did not seem to
realize the fulness and
completeness covering which
was effected through the of
fering of Christ himself who
clothes his people in that

robe of righteousness which fits the wearer to be an inmate of his Kingdom a robe that knows no decay that wears for ever and ever and is given to whosoever asketh for it in faith in the afternoon I called upon an old man born over the way who is suffering from cancer he looks very feeble and is evidently a great sufferer I spent the evening at home in company with my better half

Monday May 28th
Rather colder to day have been in London it has been quite squally snowing and blowing though not much snow fell today everything in the way of business exceedingly slack and no prospect of a change for the better London seems as quiet as here got home near six o'clock in the evening and stuck at home reading by the evening the balance of the evening a great luxury & a quiet happy time

Tuesday Feby 26th
A glorious bright sunshiny day
& save a cloud to be seen all
day been in my office all day
not much doing a meeting of
Council in the evening which
lasted till late and was
very stormy

Wednesday Feby 27th
Another bright sunshiny day
mild and balmy like an April
day quite a change and muddy
under foot have been in my
office all day Son Charlie re
turned from his wedding trip.
in the evening attended ano
ther meeting of Council out
till late all nocturnaly inc

Thursday Feby 28th
Another Month has closed and
the mildest Feby I ever Knew
to day has been as yesterday
clear and cloudless till
towards night when the
sky assumed the appear
ance of rain have been in
my office all day nothing
doing even thermometer
mighty dull

Friday Night, Dec
The threatened storm of last night seems to have passed over the day has been fine on ther colder than several previous ones and cloudy have been in my office all day not feeling at all well though better towards evening every thing is exceedingly quiet the winter is rapidly passing away and no appearance of business yet I fear we are to have a very dull spring and summer but why anticipate evil let us enjoy the blessings of the day trusting in providence for the future

Saturday Nov 2nd
The storm has come to day in the shape of rain which has been falling gently all day at times heavily have been in my office all day not doing much weather or time other things matter very depressed prospects not flattering how much one needs to exercise faith

Sunday March 3
another very soft day it has been raining most of the time have spent the day in the house in the evening went to hear a Mr Jewkes a Plymouth Brother preach heard an excellent discourse the wind has turned to south to night and by morning I expect to see the ground quite white it is the most changeable winter weather I ever remember and I think must be the mildest winter so far on record

Monday March 4th
But little snow fell last night though it froze consiederably have been in my office all day doing but little in the evening attended a meeting of the town cil out till quite late

Tuesday March 5th
Has been a delightful day again went to London when I was engaged most of the day in the evening attended a election for a public

meeting in the town Hall a lec-
ture being delivered under
the auspices of one of the Method-
ist & Methodist Church by an Old Church
of the Catholic Church was
not proposed in his fav-
or at all

Wednesday March 6th
Quite like a spring day soft
and balmy air the earth ap-
pears to be drying fast as things
the frost were out have not
been at all well been in the
house in the house most of
the day

Thursday March 7th
another day more like the
latter part of April than this
first week of March a soft
balmy sun shine all day
have been in my office so
my nothing at evening
attended a meeting of
Council Kept out till
late very little business
done in consequence of
the Gentlemen of mem
bers of Council

Sunday March 8th
Still fine warm and spring
like the morning opened
up almost like a May day
in my office all still doing
nothing in the evening at
tended a Council meeting
again Kept out till late
but disputched a good
deal of business every thing
very quiet in the way of
business in town

Saturday March 9th
There like May there March has
been almost hot to day a
bright sun shine all day
in my office doing nothing
prospects not encouraging
every body feeling despon
no business sense of any
kind doing

Sunday March 10th
a very charming spring like
day the birds singing the air
balmy and every token be
tokens spring have been at
home all day very quiet
called upon our neighbor
Chapman in the afternoon
he is very poorly with a cancer

Monday March 11th
Still fine and mild had two
Magistrates trials this morning
after which went to London
returned at six o'clock in
the evening took the Choir
for a public meeting in the
Methodist Church a person
by the name of Rice is holding
a series of meetings on
the temperance question he
seems quite an enthusiast
almost amounting to fanaticism

Tuesday March 12th
To day has been rather colder
a raw East wind threatening
ing either snow or rain has
been in my office all day
not doing much at home
in the evening

Wednesday 13
The storm has come in the
shape of a gentle rain which
has continued all through
very mild here been in
my office all day closing
next to nothing things
are exceedingly quiet

Thursday March 14th
The rain has turned to snow
during the night and this
morning the ground looks
quite white with snow still
falling though it will not
I think amount to much it
is too mild the roads and
side walks are very slop
by and by night the snow
is nearly all gone in my
office all day very little to
do

Friday March 15th
a very fine day the storm
seems to have passed entire
ly away and it has been
warm and sunshiny all
day the Marine Inspector of
the Royal Yes 60 called upon
me last evening I spent
a few hours with him
when he left for Hamilton
he seems a very pleasant
business like person nothing
new to day

Saturday March 16
So day has been dull and
cloudy threatening rain
very mild and very mud
dy a good many people

in town consequency the bus
ness not much business
doing though have been
in my office all day with
but little to do to night
it has commenced to rain
and promises to be a wet
night

Sunday March 17th
This is the Irish Patron Saints
day it has been a very
cloudy dull day with a
little rain at intervals have
been in the house most of the
day in the afternoon went
to hear the Yanks & Plymouth
brothers speak he gave us a very
good discourse at the
usual conclusion by this
evening though very muddy
and muddy the front is
all out of the ground

Monday March 18th
The rain I last night seemed
to have cleared the sky to it
day has been remarkably
fine again have been busy
the most of the day with a

magistrate court under the hunter act and another four hundredweight cases drunkenness and by evidence sent Woolstick jail for three months after denies at three other attended a meeting as Inspector in connection with the Insolvent estate of S. Cook

Tuesday March 19
Another regular misty day light and warm sunshine went to London to day got back about six a friends in to tea this evening a quiet day

Wednesday March the same as yesterday thought to collect a bracing March wind which is clearing up the mud has to self dined at the Chris topher in the evening took tea at the Institute our next door neighbour very quiet to day apparently no businesses doing

Thursday March 21st
This morning looked quite
wintry the ground is white
with snow and still snow
ing when I got up but
it all soon disappeared
as the day advanced I have
been in Hamilton to day
attending a meeting of the
Canada Fire and Marine
board got home a little
after eight- the day has
been wet and chilly
things seem as quiet in
Hamilton as here

Friday March 22nd
Rather a dull wet day not
very cold but nothing in
spiriting in the atmosphere
which taken with the ge
neral depression in busi
ness has a tendency to make
people feel blue I have
been in my office all day
though little to do with
a dull prospect ahead it
for business do not know
when things will take a
turn but must hope
for the best

Saturday March 24
a bright warm sun
shine all day in my of
fice during the forenoon
in the afternoon at work
about the house and so
warm that one is obliged
to take ones coat off to
work evening it thawed
and rain which com
menced about eight min
ing briskly till I went
to bed though very mild

Sunday March 25th
A very great change in
the temperature has taken
place during the night
this morning it is cold
enough for Greenland
a sharp cutting North
wind and flurries of snow
have been on the house ak
day not feeling very well
to night is very cold the
thermometer cannot be
much above Zero I think
it must have gone down
near forty degrees since
yesterday noon has been
taking most of the day in
& results

Thursday 25th March
a very cold night one of the
coldest of the winter but little
snow fell the day has been
fine have been in London to
day have about 3 or 4 cats kittens
nothing doing it has made
actual considerably towards
evening I found much more
snow in London than we
have here

Tuesday March 26
At home all day doing no
thing mild weather fine and
stormy there is another snow
commenced just at evening
do not think it will amount
to much

Wednesday March 27
The snow I last evening has
ended in rain which has
been drizzling all day in
my office doing nothing
no news every thing as quiet
as possible when things write
ment it is hard to tell
the prospect ahead is not
encouraging

Thursday March 28
a very wet morning rain falling very heavily and has rained a good deal during the night every thing wet heavy and depressing in my office all day doing nothing when with this monotony thumps

Friday March 29th
a beautiful sun shine all day and quite mild in my office all the forenoon in the afternoon employed till eve ning on an arbitration

Saturday March 30th
a dull cloudy day threatening a storm which com menced in the shape of a snow squall about five o'clock evening in fact have been in my office all day not busy

Sunday March 31st
This has been a dreary one to me have been confined to my bed till near eve ning another month has passed away to be recorded in the history of the past

Thursday April 1st
A very beautiful day warm
with a bright sunshine all
day went to London home at
six o'clock attended a meet
ing of Council expected till
½ past eleven at night

Tuesday April 2nd
Got this morning with a bad
head ache the morning ver
very foggy denoting heat which
came on as the sun got up
have been in my office all
day not feeling well but
better towards evening ½ past
the evening the 6 o'clock at-
ter the Conservatives with a few
friends very pleasant time
home about ½ past eleven

Wednesday April 3rd
A very fine warm day went
to Monkstown at the 9.15 train
to attend Court as a witness
in a criminal case was not
required to day so returned
by next train in the evening
a few friends were in to tea
nothing particular transpiring
went to bed early

Thursday Apl 4th
was ushered in at 6 o'clock by the fire bell ringing and looking out the whole town seemed illumined by a most extensive conflagration which proved to be Christopher Bros planing mill and lumber yard the whole of which was consumed entailing a heavy loss + last at the fire till after daylight at 9 o'clock took the train for Hookstack where I spent the day at 6 oclock getting home about 9 o'clock right in the morning thoroughly tired out it has been a charming day

Friday Apl 5th
at home in my office all day feeling quite used up from the excitement of yesterday morning at the fire it has been a very fine day we are just verging on towards summer it will be upon us before we are aware of it how fast time flies

Saturday April 6th
A cold raw wind blowing all
day very disagreeable and
very dusty went to London
on the 11 30 train returned on
the 2,45 nothing doing be
ness as dull as possible

Sunday April 7th
Spent a very quiet day at
home all day cloudy and
dull reading most of the day

Monday. April 8th
In my office all day do
ing little or nothing bu
siness is remarkably quiet
day fine and mild

Tuesday April 9th
A wet showery day rain
ing pretty steadily most
of the forenoon went to
London to day in the af
ternoon held a temperance
court engaged till ten
o'clock

Wednesday April 10th
Mild warm & cloudy and
dull with occasional
showers doing temperance Duty

Thursday Apl 11th
This has been another dies non
with me have been very sick
in bed all day till seven
o'clock in the evening without
Easter; just the day I be-
lieve has been tolerably fine
but a wretched day for me

Friday Apl 12th
Got up this morning feeling
tolerably miserable have
been employed busily most-
of the day all afternoon with
a Manufacturer count a civi
minal case no profit to me
in the a & passed meeting of
the Council name by 9 o'clock

Saturday Apl 13
A very fine day bright
sun shine mind a little
cool but genial and
& spring like in my office
most of the day a little
business doing many
people in town which
makes it look business
like weather any thing does
or not we begin to count
rain as it is very dusty

Sunday Apl 14th
This month is nearly half
gone before one is aware
of it a fine & spring day
might seem & there and
tolerably warm went to
over respular place of wor
ship in the morning in
the afternoon heard the
Junkes no comparison be
tween the two discourses
the one breathing out threat
ning, and slaughter the
other teaching the Jukes
and effering Christ the Judgement being
part to all those who accept
his sacrifice in faith for
themselves death to them who
lost his sting and there is
no more condemnation

Monday Apl 15th
a fine sun & busy day
went to London to day
on ap Bri Mr. L. & and when
there went to the funeral
of E H Hyman an old
and much respected ci
tizen of London an sin
cere crowd of people

were out all the Public
bodies and thousands of
citizens did not get
home till after twelve

Saturday 16th
another bright day rather
cool but very pleasing
at home to day in the
afternoon employed in an
arbitration tete a tete or let
Wednesday April 17.
Quite a change in the tem
perature much warmer
to day and a bright sun
shine all day went this
morning to the funeral of
an old acquaintance of
twenty years standing Robert
Adamson of Dunbarnie an
immense turn out the
largest funeral in the
country I ever saw got
home to dinner in my office
all afternoon doing nothing

Thursday Apl 18
This has been a very warm
day quite a growing day
enjoyed an arbitration
all the forenoon and in
the afternoon at a meeting
court have not felt well
all day it looks like rain
to night a warm rain
would be of great benefit

Friday Apl 19th
This is Good Friday and yet
ty generally observed as a
holiday there spent most
of the day about home not
doing much it has been
a fine warm day nothing
new going on

Saturday Apl 20th
A very fine warm day re
ported there is progressing re
ry rapidly I think they
are nearly one month
ahead of ordinary springs
have been in my office
most of the day not much
doing the town has been
quieter than usual for
Saturday business is very
quiet

Sunday Apl 21st
To day has been rather
colder than yesterday
quite a wind has sprung
up during the night
have not been feeling at
all well to day and
have kept to the house
to night is rather warmer

Monday Apl 22nd
To day has been a wet
rainy day every is growing
apace very rapidly there
will soon be grass for the
cattle have been in my
office all day literally
nothing doing

Tuesday Apl 23
Still showery a very fine
growing rain shortly by
spells drove over to Ewe
bro to day to see about a
fine a bush took place
there yesterday morning
found a small loss had
taken place caused by
a policy in one of our
companies pd that about
four orlock

Wednesday Apl 24th
Still raining quite a heavy
shower this morning went
to London to day it has been
fine since about ten o'clock
this A.M. Got home about eight
this evening vegetation is
progressing very fast

Thursday Apl 25th
A very fine day mild and
genial every thing is grow-
ing very rapidly have been
in my office all day nothing
new about town the trees
are beginning to show that
summer is approaching

Friday Apl 26th
A very wet day raining most
of the time till towards ev-
ening in my office all day
with very little to do ev
ery thing in the way of rep
tiles is progressing very
fast grass is quite as far
round now as it generally
is by the first of May cattle
can now get a living on the
the grass I do not ever re
member it being so early

Saturday April 27
Still inclined to be thoughtful warm and genial in my office all day not doing much a good many people in town and business fair farmers are generally pretty well along with their seed sowing very early indeed

Sunday April 28th
Still cloudy and mostly thoughtful warm and showery weather have been in the house all day reading in the evening went out to hear the Hawkes who spoke very well on the 9th but I thought it brews it rained very heavily during the evening

Monday Apl 29th
Sun shone part mostly and inclined to be showery still had several visitors this A.M. in my office after dinner not much to do do not think the sun lies shown himself at all today but every thing is growing apace

Tuesday April 30

The last day of another month
how fast they glide away
this is a glorious spring day
Autumn further advanced than
it often is the last of May I
turned over cows to grass the
morning in excellent pasture
earlier than I ever remem
ber before have been in
Worksheets to day attending
court the day has been very
fine and warm

Wednesday May 1st

May day with all its many
associations has come and
the carpenters & yards do-
not increase with old age
yet spring I think always
brings with it more or less
buoyancy & feeling to see
all nature bursting forth
in its new dress & green of
ter the snows & a Canadian
winter has certainly an in-
spiriting effect- have been
enquired to day with them
fortunate business some petty-
Larceny cases the day has
been cloudy with occasional
showers

Thursday May 2
Still engaged with
trustee business not very bu
sy to day cloudy and in
the evening heavy rain

Friday May 3
This has been a dismal rain a
gain with me have been
in bed sick all day a clou
dy showery day nothing
new to record

Saturday May 4th
Quite a good many people in
town to day it looks quite like
business the genial spring
weather is encouraging to
the husbandman and although
business does not revive much
yet the invigorating influence
that spring always brings
with it as nature begins to
assume its summer loveliness
has a cheering effect upon
the human mind leading me
to realize the truth of that bles
sed promise that seed time
and harvest will assuredly
return to crown the labours of
the husbandman and fill our
hearts with gratitude to the

giver of all good for his manifold
mercies bestowed upon us
the day has been fine rather
cloudy and cool with a pros
pect of more settled weather
have been employed with the
gentlemen business most of the
day took tea at the Summers
in commemoration of their
thirtieth wedding day

Sunday May 5th
to day has been fine though
cloudy with occasional showers at
intervals went to both services
this morning accompanied by
Mrs L. in the evening went by
to hear Mr Jowles both sermons
decourses but very little
rent it is clear and cool
to night and will come up
never to a frost

Monday May 6th
This has been a very fine day
went to London by the 11.45 day
train back by the 2.45 nothing
particular doing every is
growing apace the day being
warm and quiet at home
sit meeting till late and
found it raining in going home

Tuesday May 7th
another genial warm day.
literally nothing doing in
my office all day in the ev
ning a tremendous thunde
storm and very heavy rain
held a meeting 6 count in
the evening

Wednesday May 8th
6 cloudy and moist with a
tremendously heavy rain in the
evening every thing seems al
most deluged with wet no
thing new transpiring

Thursday May 9th
A warm genial morning
cloudy by turns during the
day enjoyed most of the
day with meeting 6 count
spent an hour or two in the
evening with Mrs 6 at our
neighbours Mrs the Intypes
it is quite cool to night and
will be never a frost

Friday May 10th
Rather cool and showery no
frost last night but very
near one the wet weather

is getting rather monotonous in my office all day nothing doing this is also monotonous

May 11th

Saturday It has been really cold to day a strong North wind blowing and a slight snow squall or between it and hail the day has been quite bouterous and equally cold if it keeps as cold as it is tonight we must have quite a frost

Sunday May 12th

This has been another dismal day with me have been obliged to keep my bed all day being very poorly this morning on into the night- they day has been cool I believe there fine a frost is expected tonight

Monday May 13th

Up early this morning feeling very poorly there was a very heavy frost- last night- the grass quite white and crisp and ice. never me quarter of an inch thick I fear it will do damage that

day has been fine though cold
have been in London got
home about 8 oclock went
to bed feeling very poorly
indeed

Tuesday May 14th
another hard frost again
last night not quite equal
to the night before got up
after a very restless night
feeling very miserable all
day unfit all morning
in the Afternoon business
came home and lay down
had a sleep and feel bet-
ter this evening a fine cool
day and a beautiful moon
light night every thing
very quiet

Wednesday May 15th
a very fine day weather has
moderated considerably
and although a slight frost
last night yet I do not
think it would do much hurt
in my office all day not
doing much nothing par-
ticulars going on

Thursday May 16th
General Spring is again asser
ting her rights and vegetation
is now progressing apace
the cold snap seems to have
passed over and although the
frost has been very severe
I do not think much injury
has been done nature is as
running her lovliest yet
and promises to shower forth
abundance in my opinion she
may now thank doing

Friday May 17th
Still fine and quiet nothing
particular occurring bu
siness matters as quiet as pos
sible in my office all day
in the evening heard a cl
ique man give an address
in the town hall upon what
he called the British constr
tution pow pollow he did
not Know what he was
talking about- goto a house
and me of the pentent-Jurors
I ever heard although the
speaker was not without
some pretentions to eloquence
a more noisey assembly I
never was a heard

Saturday May 18th
another week has ended
and the month of May is also
half gone how fast the days
weeks months and years pass
away and time is hastening us
on to that home from which
no traveller returns & our own
days will be numbered here
& further and we must en-
ter into that state in which
there is no change how precious
are the promises of our Father
in whose house of which is
made for the full satisfaction
and enjoyment of the soul
that relies upon the finished
work of that Saviour who died
to make atonement between
us and God the day has been
fine a great many people in
town and an appearance of bus-
tle in business though I do
not think much has been
done

Sunday May 19
This has been a very quiet
day have not been out at
all it has been showery at
times all day though not
raining much have been

reading Jaines notes on England
am much pleased with his
quiet succy description of
men and things I think he
speaks with a good deal of
liberality and criticism very
fairly Christopher and
and children were in to
tea this evening

Monday May 20
another quiet day in my office
all day doing little or
nothing it has been fine at
though there was a very heavy
rain during the night- this
so far has been a very wet
season more rain than usu
al

Tuesday May 21
Rather cold wind from the
South with an angry cloud
dy & Ry though no actual
rain fell to Embro to day on
some business had a nice
drive this country is looking
exceedingly well a promising
& an abundant harvest- I ere
by thermy nothing new Sonny
in

Wednesday May 22
Quite a change in the tem-
perature this morning although
there was a little frost last-
night- it has been quite warm
all day very grateful after
the cold wind of yesterday

Thursday May 23
Still fine and warm there
has been a heavy rain this
day the night not much
cloudy in my office all day
business very quiet

Friday May 24th
This is the Birth day of our
noble Queen and as such
has been a general holiday
we all dined and took
tea at the Churchplace the
day has been delightful in
the evening little Thurfie
and my attended a Con-
cert in the town Hall got
up under the auspices of
the Y.M.C.A. there was a
very large attendance and
a good entertainment we
got home about eleven
oclock this Valentines Journal
Tuesday has been written up to date

Saturday May 25
A warm genial day and
a great many people in town
quite the appearance of busi
ness in my office all day
though doing next to nothing

Sunday May 26
Still beautifully fine Mrs
C and Mrs Van Arman out
early went to Church this
A.M. & spent the rest of the day
at home

Monday May 27
a very fine day warm and
genial atmosphere every thing
is growing apace very rapidly
went to Linden to day took
Leslie, two little girls with
me home at 2.45 nothing new
transpiring

Tuesday May 28th
a bright warm sun shine
all day quite busy with the
magistrate business in the
evening attended a Spe
cial meeting of the Coun
cil home about ten o'clock
and went to bed quite tired
busy ever fine this A.M.

Wednesday May 29th
Cloudy and inclined to be
showery not much sun
during the day in my of
fice though not busy

Thursday May 30th
A bright fine day though
rather cool have been in
the Country to day a fine
drive South to Embro and
several of the Cheese fac
tories in that neighborhood
in the evening a meeting
of the Rail Way Committee
of the Council and also
a public meeting in the
Hall to arrange the pre
liminaries for the cele
brations of Dominion day

Friday May 31st
A lovely summer like day this
Cloudy sent into the coun
try to day had a delightful
drive Mrs C stopped at the
Lawsons in Dereham while
he and I went into Norwich
to see some parties the coun
try is looking its best crops
of all Kinds promise well

Saturday June 1st
another month has commenced
how rapidly time is passing
away a month is hardly be
fore before it is gone to day
has been another of those ge
nial warm growing spring
days have been in London to
day all quiet to night

Sunday June 2
This has been a very fine day
went to Chapel this morning
to Henry my two little grandchildren
tea then to not feeling very well
spent the afternoon at home
very quietly it has been warm
and genial in temperature
to day

Monday June 3
another quiet day fine and
pleasant nothing particular
doing in the evening a meeting
of Council

Tuesday June 4
This has been a dull cloudy
day with occasional showers
in my office doing next to no
thing a police case or two

Wednesday June 5th
This has been a fine day out there cool and if it should clear off and the wind go down we shall likely have a frost to night a police case is ale there has been an hound to day

Thursday June 6th
up very early this morning found every thing covered with a white frost which must injure all tender plants have been in Town to day did not get home till after two in the morning quite tired

Friday June 7
Has been a cool cloudy disagreeable sort of day nothing at all doing attended a meeting in the Council Chamber some delegates from Springfield and Port Burnell in a mill way enterprise being a diversion of the Credit Valley R Way to Springfield and Port Burnell instead of direct to St Thomas the prospectus thought very favourably of Home and went to bed early quite tired out

Saturday June 8th
This has been rather a cold
but disagreeable day there
was a little frost last night
have been to London to day
ah my regular weekly at-
tendance at the Bri Mut
Loan Co office every thing
very quiet—

Sunday June 9th
A fine forenoon then to aft
and two little girls went
to our usual Chapel in the
afternoon went up to the
Churchyard and took ten
the afternoon has been slow
day and cold threatening
rain in the evening went
to hear the Juniors in the
Music Hall

Monday June 10th
A fine general warm day
have been employed mostly
the day in my office both
afternoon nothing seen going
on every thing very quiet—

Tuesday June 11th
Still fine growing weather
cool and rather inclined
to frosty nights there been
in my office all day though
very little doing there is no
prospect of an improvement
in trade and every one feels
depressed

Wednesday June 12th
This day has been warmer than
yesterday and things are grow
ing apace The Country is now
at about its most charming
period and the fields present
to remind the husbandmen
with a bountiful harvest
in my office all day in the
evening attended a special
meeting of the Council en
quest toll new clerk order

Thursday June 13th
Another warm growing day
have had a delightful drive
into Norwich to day in Com
pany with Mr Cassell we
drove over to the Forest and
took dinner from there we
attended a meeting of their
Farmers club there was a

discussion as to the best mode of preserving the milk for the Cheese Factory it was kept up with considerable ability a very good way of disseminating knowledge and one that ought to be more in vogue among the farmers Got home about nine o'clock spent a very pleasant day the Country is looking exceedingly well though dry & dusty

Friday June 14th

Still warm and fine as getting home last night I found an old friend a Miss Gourlay had come in for a short visit she is a daughter of an old pioneer of the County who came out here sixty years ago and taking an active part in the political affairs of the day he got into disfavour with the then reigning oligarchy & them in power and was shamefully treated by them he returned to Scotland after many years & I toil here in the interests of the people at large advocating constitutional changes that were likely to ameliorate the

position of the then family
compact as they were styled
who conspiring against him
got a bill of attainder against
him by which he was imprisoned and finally banished
the country me have now the
full enjoyment of every con
stitutional change he then
advocated with much zeal
in addition and that of li
berty are but remembered
with contempt as I said
Mrs Gurley his daughter who
lives in Enclinton and has
been spending the last two
years in America is paying
us a short visit before she
sails for home she left for
London this morning I went
with her and returned in the
evening the going on the
day has been warm in the
evening attended a special
meeting of the Council

Saturday June 15th
Still warm and dry went
to Woolstock This morning
on business connected with
the Council returned at noon
busy at various things during

the afternoon this evening there is a prospect of rain which will be very acceptable

Sunday June 16th
A very quiet day warm and fine a fine rain during the night- which has quite refresh ed the face of nature this morning have spent the day quietly at home I go to Jo nuts early in the morning if all is well

Monday June 17
Up very early this morning to go to Jouets where I attend- and returned home by fine o'clock this wonderful this age of steam what can be accomplished the day has been warm and fine quite tranquil to night- and retire early

Tuesday June 18
Still warm and dry in my of fice most of the day nothing doing much things very quiet in town the country begins to want rain

Wednesday June 19
Have not been feeling at
all well to day have a very
bone back for the past two
days and in addition to day
an uncomfortable head
ache in my office all day
rather busy in the morn is
tered time day quite warm
cool day

Thursday June 20th
Much better to day though
back rather lame yet in my
office all day busy all fore
noon with Unfortunates busi
ness the day has been very
fine thermometer were this
evening and morning slight
ly it will be a great boon
to fat a poor man to sleep

Friday June 21st
There has been a nice rain
during the night still we
could do with more but
the weather does not seem
settled yet have been
in my office most of the
day attended a committee
meeting of the Rural city
committee of the Council

this evening and also a meeting of the Democratic club celebration Committee

Saturday June 22
A cloudy day with showers until to Sunday the morning turning back at 2.45 P.M. A great many people in town to day business I believe has been fair

Sunday June 23
a very quiet day did not go out at all it has been showery and misty the day rainy the night- thing's are growing finely though the weather is in the whole cool

Monday June 24th
a very fine day warm and genial to me feelings have been in my office during the forenoon engaged most of the day with the magistrates business in the evening a meeting of the Democratic engaged the Cute

June 25 Tuesday
Quite warm to day engaged
all the day with Magistrals
business some very disagree a
ble cases this is the most un
pleasant part of my public
duties as Mayor and I can
not say that I dislike it
very much there is always some
thing to learn and much of
human nature to study

Wednesday June 26th
Have been quite unwell the
weather to day went down to
my office in the morning but
was obliged to come home again
and spent the rest of the day
laying on my bed & suffering
from a severe head ache the
day has been warm in fact
hot I think the hottest of
the season so far every thing
very quiet

Thursday June 27
Up early this morning to go
to Hamilton a lovely morning
started at ½ past six got to
Hamilton at 9 attended a
Board meeting of the Canadian
Marine Co very hot day

Friday June 28th
a very hot day so far the hot-
warmest day we have had this
this summer Mrs Cook went
to Woodstock by the 9.15 train
this A M to attend the exa
minations of Miss Oakleys
school Russell a very pleas
ant day in the school in
company with Mr Mrs Chris
topher the pupils acquitted
themselves remarkably well
got home at 5 o'clock and
attended to a lot of Masters
trades business in the eve
ning

Saturday June 29th
Still hot hotter than yester-
day it appears as if the heat
wave of summer was coming
on now been in June
days to stay and also at
tended to several masters
trades cases as well as
began to weed onions very
much the evening is delightful
Jud went down town after
noon down Thames Street
seems alive with people
quite city like

Sunday June 30th
another Month has closed
how fast they disappear
and how little we realize
the flight of time this month
closes the half of the year 1878
and we shall soon see the close
of the year very shortly I
perceive it has been an
exceedingly hot day to day
the thermometer 99 in the shade
have been in the house all
day very quiet Christophus
wife and two children came
in for a chat in the evening
and have just gone

Monday July 1st
This is the birthday of our Na
tional existance and a very
hot day it has been the day
has been observed as a holi
day all over the country
we have had the usual do
ings here in town a large
number in from the country
games and other amusements
in the park Bout racing on
the pond a torch light pro
cession at night accom
panied with fire works and
all passed of very nicely

and quietly till some time during the night a repeater riot took place nothing very serious occurred but the disgrace attached to such proceedings it has been excessively hot all day.

Tuesday July 2d
Still extremely hot the rest of last night has been a persistent theme for discussion all day have been full of the festivities business nearly all day in the evening attended a repeater meeting of the board that is a prospect of mine to night which will be a great boon should it come

Wednesday July 3d
There has been a nice gentle rain last night and a prospect of more this morning it has fallen gently more or less during the day have been employed gentlemen business the most of the day with the current outgrowth of the hot weather as I do not know what else to attribute it to

Thursday July 4th
another oppressive day hot
and muggy indications of
rain not much doing to day
in my office most of the day
nothing new to record

Friday July 5th
The heat still continues with
the Thermometer approaching the
100's in the shade down out into
the Country this morning the
crops are looking remarkably
well and the promise of an early
harvest in the evening attended
as chairman at an immense
promenade concert in the Skating
Rink got up by the G. A. R.
& it passed off very pleasantly
by with a large attendance.

Saturday July 6th
Still as hot as ever we are in
very a very warm spell as to
speak have been in London to day
nothing special doing we
took a drive into the Country in
the evening very pleasant in
deed got home about 11 o'clock
and went to bed
the evening is cool notwithstanding
during the heat of the day

Sunday July 7
Still burning hot and getting very dry have been a bit lame most of the day in the afternoon 6 o only went up to the Christophers to tea the heat renders locomotion almost unbearable to night a little prospect of rain hope it may come as the earth is getting quite parched up

Monday July 8/78
A most unpleasant rain last night and more or less throughout the day to night during the day all nature seems refreshed by the downfall have been in my office most of the day not much doing in the evening attended a special meeting of the Council

Tuesday July 9th
another scorching hot day over my theory very quiet Mrs G and self dined at Christophers some unpertants business and a round meeting finished up the afternoon

Wednesday July 10th
The rain of the past day & two has moderated the heat and although quite warm yet it is not of that scorching character it has been for some time past have been employ more or less in my office to day in the evening a number gentlemen & ourt that hunted till eleven o'clock came home and went to bed quite tired

Thursday July 11th
A cloudy heavy sort of day atmosphere dense and heavy in my office most of the day in the afternoon & me operators business on the whole quiet

Friday July 12th
We have had a fine rain during the night and part of this day The is the glorious 12th by Prince of Orange notoriety all has been quiet here but not so in all other places there is great anxiety in the breast must wait till tomorrow to know the result

Saturday July 13

Fine genial day the rain of yesterday has cooled the air considerably got up this morning very much refreshed and generally astir went down to my office about ten feeling rather better yesterday being the anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne the glorious tenth of King William immortal memory the patriotic and loyal Orangemen of the Country generally met to celebrate this to them glorious triumph of Protestantism a triumph not only in its day but not a satisfactory one to Ireland in the future of the vanquished the Orangemen of Montreal in their extreme partisanship have been determined to exhibit in procession and the consequence has been a tremendous excitement the authorities have prevented the procession but the smoke is not cleared yet what a pity we could not be relieved from such unmeaning demonstrations and men in common with

Sunday July 14th
Bathed this morning after early
we had a nice comical but
evening And Sunny as
the is called came in as
the day is hot and clear a
breeze is blowing but the
wind is not expect to start
for England tomorrow is our
prayers with my youngest daughter hope to have a pleasant
passage

The expected trip to Europe has been accomplished
in safety by my daughter
and self we were gone
a little over two months
and had a very enjoyable
journey we sailed from
New York to London on board
the Anchor Line Steamer
Ship Alsatian landing at
Southampton thence by
rail to London our passage
was a very pleasant one
no rough weather and
quite enjoyable I found
old London much the
same as when I left there
few years ago many in

pavements are continually go
ing on and the growth on the
outskirts is quite marvellous
its size amazes one and the
sights are quite confusing
no adequate conception can
be formed of its size without
a personal visit and unless
this be an extended one it
cannot be compassed one
were there ten days and
then crossed over to Paris
with a view of interesting
the exhibition taking the
rail way to them thence
the crossed to Dieppe and
a most miserable uncom
fortable passage it was
a Boat not fit to trans
port cattle upon was crow
ded with passengers who
for seven or eight hours
endured all the miseries
of severe sea sickness with
very indifferent and un
comfortable accommodation
this how the public put
up with and patronise
such a line I cannot
understand it would
get no countenance in
our country however

all things must have an end
in due time we landed
at Dieppe and having
left New Haven at three
o'clock A.M. we felt in
prime order for breakfast
which we got at a very
comfortable eating house
at the station this was our
first meal on French soil
and every thing was very
nice Dieppe is a quaint
looking old fashioned
sea port town every thing
to us Canadians seemed
very odd and strange
we did not get an oppor
tunity of seeing much of
the town as our train left
directly after Breakfast
and we had a pleasant
run to the old town of
Rouen an interesting place
noted for it Cathedral we
did not stop only for a
short time but proceeded
onward to the great city of
Paris about five hours ride
from Dieppe we got apart
ments immediately and
after a lunch and little
rest set out sight seeing

Paris is a wonderful city surpassing in beauty any place I ever saw I find it a great drawback not to be able to speak the language in use here and were it not that my daughter speaks French pretty well it would have been still more inconvenient we enjoyed a week in Paris very much indeed the public buildings are enormous and imposing in their structure the Boulevards are beautiful fine & spacious wide walks at least thirty feet wide lined with trees made of asphalt smooth as a floor and many as fine the carriage very spacious and in splendid order the horses in each side very uniform in their style attractive in appearance and from three to four hands in height evidently the work of some master mind with authority every thing denoted excellent Police Regulations and the greatest celebrity from the officials

The exhibition was a marvel of skill in its construction and exhibits comprising as it did the varied productions of the world in every Department thereof I strolled through the Ba rarian portion and was much struck with the magnificent display our Country made and the variety of its productions they were universally admired and commented upon the fruits were exquisite got up in the best French taste an bouquets & ornaments of flowers beds green lawns in every variety of form that human ingenuity could devise the whole presenting an almost enchanted scene one could linger long in the contemplation of its beauty and feel the higher aspirations of ones nature looking upwards to that higher source of all real beauty where the soul may revel fully & entirely in the new Eden where the presence of the Lord shall

be the delight of his heart and free from those influences which are so apt to instim us to forget the author in our admiration of the creation there is much to admire both in Paris and in the Parisians the people are models of po liteness and kindness & exceed ingly voluble and demon strative which to one not knowing the language ap pears very demonstrative we visited the celebrated Notre Dame Church on Sun day it is a grand old Gothic cathedral the services were very high the music was fine not the effect that I relished too much like man worship there the humble aspira tions of a regenerated soul that is willing to give God the glory for its redemption and accept our Saviors sacrifice as an all suffi cient mediator between God and man without any vain glorying in his merit

after service we procured a
cab and drove about the city
for a few hours visiting many
notable places of interest a
many others the celebrated ce
metery of Pierre La Chaise
a great repository of the
French dead both illustri
ous and otherwise it is a
beautiful silent City peopled
with many whose names have
long been celebrated in French
history the ground seemed
literally filled with tomb
stones and varied monument
in accordance with the re
vived taste of friends some
beautiful specimens of ar
tistic skill both in design
and execution we did not
see many familiar names
among the inscriptions
I should very much have
desired to have spent more
time in this beautiful and
interesting city and could
I have spoken French think
I should have stopped lon
ger but after near a week
so journ we are again
turn to London the left
Paris on the train at eight

A. M. arriving at Derby we
two and were hurried on
to the Boat to cross the Chan
nel again to New Haven
and if it was uncomfortable
ble on our outward trip
it was doubly so on our re
turn what with the rain and
sea I think I never spent
a more wretched night or
nine hours in travelling in
my life a more disagreeable
night than that the Boat pre
sented from sea sickness
I could not imagine we
were neither of us sick
but were almost the only
exceptions out of several
hundred the miserable
accommodation provided
in the Boat made me feel
in any humor and when the
landed near ten o'clock
without having tasted food
since seven in the morn
ing it may be imagined
we left the Boat hoping
never to be caught in the
sort again often a poor
man but for function anxiety at

midnight in a heavy rain
glad to get into comfortable
ble quarters we had ten
days of very pleasant and
profitable sight seeing in
London before going to Paris
but ten days in London is
but as a drop in a pond as
to seeing the sights of London
we visited that old world
renowned place Westminster
Abbey a sight that interested
me more than any other place
I have seen in perusing pages
ings I cannot attempt to
describe this Mausoleum
sacred to every true hearted
Briton Continuing as it does
the remains of those who have
been instrumental in raising
this little Island to the promi
position she at this moment
occupies to be the arbitress
one may truly say of the
destinies of the world and
whether it it be in arts in
arms in song in literature
or Statesmanship we find
the leading representatives
of these different qualities
who have been chronicled
ed in the pages of Britains

history have found a last res
ting place here St Pauls is
another monument of histo
ry that centuries many chap
ters of interest as we peruse
the varied enscription that
mark the spot where this or that
hero sleeps his last sleep
the very mention of whose
names call up in ones me
mory some striking scene
in the history of this great
country another of those world
renowned pluces of which this
country boasts so many is ole
Londen Castle on the Thames
about twenty two miles from
London we spent one day clo
ing this Royal Residence and
grounds it is a grand and ro
mantic pluce taking it his
toreal associations in connec
tion with it Her Majesty has
built a magnificent chapel
here in commemoration of
Prince Albert it is really a
most magnificent work of art
it is a work that without seeing
it is hard to realize the rich
beauty of the decorations which
overwhelm the visitor upon the
opening of the doors

adorned with all the treasures that art can bestow no more fitting memorial could have been chosen to do honor to so illustrious a person much more of interest- ing recalled impressions of school days times when in acquiring knowledge of the past history of this to us interesting monument of the past calculated to awaken the most solemn associations with the events of the olden time we rambled about till tired and refreshed with delight during we made our way back to London with the intention of starting for Liverpool in the morning which we did reaching there about midafternoon and after dining a little of the city we left at one P.M. en route for Edenburgh arriving there about nine orlock P.M. Being met at the station by a young man a son of a Colonel who was residing in Edenburgh at whose place we made a lengthened stay of two weeks doing Edinburgh and vicinity pretty thoroughly

Edenborough is one of the most interesting and classical cities in its historical associations being the residence once of the Literati of Scotland the scenery is very picturesque and the walking most interesting we passed a very enjoyable time there although I was suffering very much from a cold contracted in the cars on our way from ~~Edinburgh~~ Liverpool here our next route was for Glasgow where we found an old friend who inserted on taking us down to his house at Denom on the Clyde about thirty miles from Glasgow but we concluded before going there to visit a friend in Kilmarnock after taking a lunch we arrived there in the evening found our friend who was in charge of the Post office there he met us very cordially and hospitably we spent a couple of days with him resting in the mean time the towns of Ayr and the birth

 Allowing Kirk

the Brigg of Doon and several
interesting spots memorable
as being associated with the
career of Burns