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Eclipses, 1888.

In the year 1888 there will be five eclipses, three of the sun and two of the moon.

I.—A total eclipse of the moon Jan. 29th, visible generally throughout North and South America.

II.—A partial eclipse of the sun, Feb. 11, invisible in Canada.

III.—A partial eclipse of the sun, July 8, invisible in Canada.

IV.—A total eclipse of the moon, July 29, visible generally throughout North and South America.

V.—A partial eclipse of the sun, Aug. 7, invisible in Canada.

Fixed and Movable Festivals.

| | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
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| Epiphany | | 6 | | | | | | | | | |
| Septuagesima Sunday | | 29 | | | | | | | | | |
| Quinquagesima Shrove Sunday | Feb. | 19 | | | | | | | | | |
| Ash Wednesday | | 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| Quadragesima—1st Sunday in Lent | | 19 | | | | | | | | | |
| St. David | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Patrick | | 17 | | | | | | | | | |
| Annunciation—Lady Day | | 25 | | | | | | | | | |
| Palm Sunday | | 25 | | | | | | | | | |
| Good Friday | | 30 | | | | | | | | | |
| Easter Sunday | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Low Sunday | | 27 | | | | | | | | | |
| St. George | | 23 | | | | | | | | | |
| Rogation Sunday | May | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
| Ascension Day—Holy Thursday | | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| Pentecost—Whit Sunday | | 27 | | | | | | | | | |
| Queen Victoria's Birthday | | 24 | | | | | | | | | |
| Trinity Sunday | | 27 | | | | | | | | | |
| Corpus Christi | | 31 | | | | | | | | | |
| Accession of Queen Victoria | June | 20 | | | | | | | | | |
| Proclamation of Queen Victoria | | 22 | | | | | | | | | |
| St. John Baptist—Midsummer Day | | 24 | | | | | | | | | |
| Dominion Day | July | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Michaelmas Day | Sep. | 29 | | | | | | | | | |
| Birth of Prince of Wales | | 30 | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Andrew | | 30 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1st Sunday in Advent | | Dec. | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| St. Thomas | | 25 | | | | | | | | | |
| Christmas Day | | 25 | | | | | | | | | |

Bank Days by the Week.

ONTARIO, NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA—New Year's Day; Good Friday; Easter Monday; Queen's Birthday; Dominion Day; Christmas Day.
QUEBEC—New Year's Day; Epiphany; Annunciation; Good Friday; Easter Monday; Ascension; Corpus Christi; St. Peter's and St. Paul's; All Saints' Conception; Christmas Day; Queen's Birthday; Dominion Day.
Also, throughout the Dominion, any day appointed by Proclamation for a General Fast or Thanksgiving.

List of Sundays in 1888.

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SATURDAY 14

(14-352)

Held school in forenoon - Solomon and Lawrence with Carpenter baking bread - Farmers awl with boys engaged in hauling hay and straw to the stable - In the afternoon Solomon & Lawrence finished baking - John Ledoux & James English hauled water from the River - Farmers cut up beef for next week - Other boys engaged in clearing away the snow from in front of the closets and in other fatigue duties - All the boys as usual took baths this evening - John Ledoux punished for lying - A beautiful day all well!

January

MONDAY 16

(16-350)

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School as usual to day. Sister informed me that this was the week for washing. Started two boys to saw wood for the wash-house. Timmy English & Timmy Callikoo drew water this morning and afterwards turned the ox loose without troubling themselves about taking off the harness. Visited by two Indians - one called "Olatoyé" - no pass - came in the morning and proved almost insupportable. He entered the kitchen and remained there for a long time, but not getting anything to eat departed but not before forcing himself into the Rev Principal's private apartment. The others "White Dog's Back" and his brother came in the evening - Sister had passes. Joseph Ocean vomited blood this evening. it was necessary to put him to bed.

TUESDAY 17

(17-349)

Washing commenced to day. The Rev Principal with Rev Fathers Andre left this morning for Calgary - expect they will find the road rather heavy. The boys besides doing usual fatigue - cleared away snow from the clothes lines where it had gathered to the depth of two and three feet - also finished taking the snow away from in front of the closets. Timmy English & Timmy Callikoo spent all the forenoon in drawing water for Wash-house & Kitchen - this drawing of water takes up a lot of time which might otherwise be profitably employed - and it is too bad to be without a well & good pump in a house like this. Departure of White Dog's Back and brother. Arrival of Blood Indian "Bad Boy" on his way to Blood Reserve from Blackfoot crossing - had a pass from Agent. B.C. dated 14th December.

WEDNESDAY 18

(18-348)

A cold and stormy day. School as usual but attendance small - four boys engaged in washing all day - Lawrence Isidore, Guillaume Dikyas and John Ledoux in forenoon. Lawrence & Isidore replaced by Solomon and Timmy English in afternoon. Timmies English and Callikoo drawing water from eight to eleven - Lawrence and Isidore with Mr Picard built a hen house in cow stable in the afternoon - The hens are no doubt pleased with the change & the Mother Supervisor hopes for better results. Dancing lessons in recreation room after supper with Mr Picard as Master of Ceremonies. Joe kept his bed all day and John Ledoux complained of pains in his chest, otherwise the boys appear to be in excellent health and spirits. Snowing slightly at present. Mail day to-morrow.

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January

THURSDAY 19

(19-347)

1888

42° below Zero this morning very calm the mercury rose to 25° about noon. Mail left about 11 o'clock - only one letter for post. No letters received as yet. The usual school and fatigue to day - Lawrence and Isidore baked bread in the afternoon. Punished Timmy English for persistent disobedience - also his brother Johnnie for being very obstinate. Christina Callikoo stood in centre of object of during dinner to day - first girl I have seen punished since my arrival - was obliged to warn Solomon to be a little more polite towards Sisters and girls. Tried singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the Queen" with boys this evening. Think I will have to give it up as very likely they will have to unlearn whatever they pick up from me when with the Sister.

FRIDAY 20

(20-346)

A bitterly cold day - 44° below Zero this morning. School & usual fatigue to day. Nothing but a few papers from Dunbow P.O. The Farmer with Timmy Callikoo and Guillaume Dikyas taking out ice for summer use in the afternoon. Rev Principal arrived from Calgary - very little mail for us just two official letters and a packet of stationery containing some forms for return forms and two letter copy books. Ice areae link roared so much that he was able to be up this afternoon. Mr Picard received the permit for which he has been anxiously awaiting. This week has been exceptionally cold and consequently we have consumed a considerable quantity of coal.

SATURDAY 21

(21-345)

34° below Zero this morning with a stiff breeze blowing. Not bad for a country where "Chinooks" are supposed to predominate - have learnt since my arrival that peculiar sort of "Chinook" called "Edmonton" and it is with this that we have been favored lately - School in forenoon - John Ledoux with Farmer getting ice. Besides usual fatigue, the boys not with Farmer or in shop cleared away snow from in front of veranda - all boys with sisters helped with menage and took their weekly wash. Tim English & Callikoo spent one hour and a half this morning in catching & harnessing an ox. Tim English showing an obstinate temper which is getting him into trouble lately.

January

MONDAY 23

(23-343)

1888

32 below zero this morning. School and fatigue as usual this morning & afternoon. John Ledoux and Guillaume O'Sikyas with Farmer drawing water and getting out ice in the forenoon - and Tom Callihoo English and Baptiste Lafon in afternoon. Rather awkward getting out ice without a crow bar. Sent Jimmy Callihoo to Bejj's to borrow, but he returned unsuccessful. By the way Bejj has two men down with severe frost bite, and was here yesterday to see if the Sister Superior could recommend anything for them. began saying prayers in the dormitory to day - a good idea. it will accustom the boys to say their prayers at bed-side. also began reports to day. Have been working steadily at books for the last few days. Health good.

TUESDAY 24

(24-342)

25 below this morning - and it dropped to 27 towards evening - so just now with a fresh wind blowing from the NW it is pretty cold. A four months old calf found dead in the manger this morning. a cow got loose during the night and tossed it on its back into the manger where it was suffocated. This with the pig frozen during the storm and several hens makes a heavy loss of life during the month - School as usual. Carpenter worked to day with Ledoux & Lawrence in forenoon & Solomon in the afternoon. Farmer still getting out ice. John Ledoux & Guillaume in the forenoon & Tom Callihoo & English & Baptiste in afternoon. Boys prefer to be at school in such weather. Assistant working steadily at ledger giving it a thorough over haul today. Joe in bed again to day.

WEDNESDAY 25

(25-341)

Assistant in bed com'g out to work to day and too much used up to fill in diary. Assistant was much indisposed to day. Too ill to fill in diary.

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THURSDAY 26

(26-340)

1888

10 below zero during night - mercury rose to 5 above zero at noon. School and fatigue. John Ledoux & Guillaume O'Sikyas drawing water and helping Farmer to get ice into the ice house in morning. In afternoon Tom English, Callihoo & Baptiste carting ice with Farmer. They succeeded in getting some fine ice cut - hope they will be able to get it all hauled before the Chinook that is threatening comes. Mail day - sent out one official letter - received a lot of papers but only one letter from department. Wrote for Dr. Lindsay to attend Joe who was very bad during night. Hair cutting began to day - the boy really wanted it. Assistant still working at books. Chinook began blowing immediately after supper.

FRIDAY 27

(27-339)

A "Chinook" wind all day - snow nearly all gone. School and fatigue. Bake day. Lawrence and Ledoux with Mr. Picard in morning and Solomon in the afternoon. These boys can now make good bread. Guillaume and John Ledoux drawing water & helping Farmer to bring ice from River to ice house. Tom English Callihoo with Farmer in afternoon. Farmer lost a lot of his ice as it was spoiled by soft wind. Hair cutting continued and almost finished. Have used very little coal the last few days - no fires lighting in any rooms to day. Butcher did not arrive as was expected - suppose he was afraid to venture out on account of the wind. Joe no worse if anything a little better. Assistant still working at Books.

SATURDAY 28

(28-338)

Just 1° a degree of frost during the night - turned out a splendid day. Chinook still continues - very little snow left now. School for half day as usual on Saturday. Besides ordinary fatigue the boys finished taking away snow from in front of the house. Arrival of Butcher with 531 lbs of meat - left Calgary yesterday but broke down. Guillaume O'Sikyas with Farmer hauling straw with horses from stack to stable as usual on Saturday. The boys did ménage in afternoon and had their weekly wash. Assistant finished with Ledger and began to make out monthly returns. Joe the same - other boys in good health.

January

MONDAY 30

(30-336)

1888

A beautiful day - the mercury reached 65° above zero in shade - really summer weather in the depth of winter. School etc as before issued no coal to day. No fire lighted in any part of the house except the Kitchen - as there was no coal to carry had quite a lot of wood cut by the boys. He never began to flow yesterday so it is going to be difficult after this to get good ice. The Farmer is preparing to take advantage of the fine weather and go to Calgary for a load of lumber to morrow. Mr Picard is completely out of lumber for the last few days. Visited by five Indians to day - put them out of the school room and finally locked them out of the house altogether. They have camped on the opposite side of the river. Assistant busy making out monthly returns - John Le doas whiffed for by us. The still the same.

TUESDAY 31

(31-335)

Another beautiful ^{day}, but looks as if we would soon have a change. Farmer started for Calgary this morning - hopes his weather will continue till after he is back as he is gone for a load of lumber - he took the wagon. The River is flowing freely - there is almost two feet of water over the ice. The ordinary routine to day. Took a review of the month's work in School as a preparation for monthly examination held by Principal to morrow. Rather strange that Doctor Lindsay does not come as it is nearly a week since we wrote to him. Lucky there is no immediate danger still Joe continues slow. Indians left their camp this morning without coming near the School as the reception that they got yesterday was none of the warmest. Assistant still continues to work at returns & hopes to finish to-morrow.

February

WEDNESDAY 1

(32-334)

Still fine weather - only a few degrees of frost. The river is flowing and the water is beginning to get bad. The Indians who were here yesterday left a dog on the other side of the river after them I suppose it was afraid to cross. It howls, barks and makes as much noise as ten dogs. The usual school & fatigue to day. Examination deferred till Friday 3rd inst. Busy all day preparing mail & returns etc for Begg. Farmer also got back from Calgary with 500 ft of lumber - reports the roads very bad - he says they are one mass of ice and although his horses were well shod they found it difficult to keep their feet. Farmer called at Dr Lindsay while in Calgary - but Dr was not at home.

February

THURSDAY 2

(33-333)

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Still fine - a little snow to day. Sent off our monthly returns. School etc as usual. Examination again postponed till to-morrow. The matrons feast day - arrival of Dr Lindsay towards evening - had not received our letters even then - examined Joe and reports him with "bleeding of lungs". Examines also Mary Robinson for abscess of finger. He stays over night and kindly helps the Principal to prepare a list of medicines to be submitted to head office. Begg gets here with mail just before supper - not much this time - but only now are we aware that our mail remains from Thursday till Tuesday at Okotoks. A very bad arrangement this it seems there is only one stage-

FRIDAY 3

(34-332)

a really beautiful day - calm and clear. Doctor Lindsay left this morning taking to mail for us in Calgary "Medical Statement" also Voucher in his favor. They will very probably wonder in Regina how letters dated 3rd Feb. reach them before ones dated in January. Examination of boys in the afternoon - they did fairly well although the Rev Principal was very severe in giving notes. They are very backward in writing, dictation and also in writing down their own ideas. They will get plenty of practice in composition for the future. Have established a cross English conversation - to be given to the boy who speaks the most correct English.

SATURDAY 4

(35-331)

Another nice day - not more than 12 degrees of frost. Usual half days School - ice in the river very dirty almost unfit for use - Mr Awoe made a hole to collect water from springs about half a mile from the house. In the afternoon the boys on farm drew hay and straw from stack to stable - kept the other boys busy carting away snow from the gate-way also in carrying coal wood water etc. All boys had their usual weekly wash. I was thinking to day that since my arrival I do not believe I have heard Cree spoken by any of the boys in conversation. This is strange as my experience so far with Indian children goes to show just the opposite. Heard yesterday that the Rev Principal of Strathmore Industrial School is ill with inflammation of the lungs.

February

MONDAY 6

(37-329)

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Still continues to be fine. The river is completely open in one place everything as usual. Begg went to Calgary today we took the opportunity of mailing some letters to Regina Office. The mercury has been down to zero the last few nights. The Farmer began again to get out ice. I hope the weather will allow him to continue until he has the ice house full. It is astonishing what good ice he got to day after the manner in which it had been broken last week. Mr Picard is at present engaged in making furniture for the office. He is just now making pigeonholes for me after that I intend asking for an office desk with book case on the top. Indian here to day - a relative of Crowfoot - going to C. a very harmless quiet old man.

TUESDAY 7

(38-328)

Just one degree below zero during the night. The day threatening and cloudy but not cold - we may expect snow any day. The usual routine. Farmer still taking out ice - he expects to finish to morrow. John Le doax and Guillaume O'sikyas with him in the forenoon - and James Callikoo in afternoon. Snowed hard this afternoon Begg will have a hard time getting back - Got "Tige on Hole" fixed over my desk in office - it is very well made and is a great convenience - having a place for each return. Begg got here just before supper with a few letters for us - he reports the roads bad and says that Calgary is dying slowly. He also brought a very acceptable present for Mr Picard. Mr Picard began to make an office desk for me.

WEDNESDAY 8

(39-327)

Very mild but snowed pretty steadily all day. John Le doax & Guillaume O'sikyas with Farmer in the forenoon packing ice. Jim Callikoo with Farmer in the afternoon. They have now got sufficient ice packed for ready for use and it must be confessed that it is all good ice and very well packed. Rained day to day. Lawrence absent from school all day on that account. Mr Picard engaged in ice house was obliged to trust Lawrence and Solomon with the bread. I am sorry to say that they abused the confidence placed in them and idled their time - they were reported, punished and entered in Black Book. Solomon does not take punishment well. He is very proud and seems to think that he ought not to be punished at all. So the same.

February

THURSDAY 9

(40-326)

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Not cold but inclined to be stormy - Hail day to day. Begg passed about ten o'clock. Usual routine Farmer completed his work in the ice house and it looks to be very well done. Mr Picard finished table for office today and also made picture frame. I moved the old table out of Office and got new one in. Indian visitors to day. Winnipeg Jack on his way to Black foot Crossing - two lodges with him. The Rev Principal spoke very strongly to him about school - it seemed to take effect on him - his own children are at present too young, but he promises to leave them with us next summer. Little red cow had a fine healthy looking bull calf during the night. Begg had big mail for us - new series of readers. Begg

FRIDAY 10

(41-325)

A splendid day. "Chinook" still continues to blow. 65° degrees up the scale to day. Am afraid that the Rev Principal will find it hard to get back from Calgary to morrow. There will be little or no snow left. Mr Picard

Pretty cold to day - stormy and ten below zero. Indians still camped on School ground. Mr Picard did some painting in the office - also made frames for small maps. Farmer drawing hay to stables. He intends to draw all the good to stable in order to keep it better during wet weather. Dark coloured cow had a fine bull calf during the night - The usual routine - had geographical lessons in school - promises to take well with boys.

SATURDAY 11

(42-324)

Mizhiotskinay brother of Winnipeg Jack or Unita otos) - has consented to leave an orphan whom Garrison is, in our school. - His name is Mineljito, - but he gives us another name by which we know that he is old old pupil at the Institution. Numbered 10 in our books, with the name of John Cotton given him by the Rev Father Lacombe, the then Principal of the school - He seems to be well disposed.

February

MONDAY 13

(44-322)

1888

Very cold - 18 below zero during the night - a stiff breeze blowing - and looks as if we were going to have a pretty bad storm. School and everything as usual to day. Ss Callihoo & English with Farmer in the forenoon - All boys except those in Carpenter's shop in school in the afternoon. Mr Picard making stools for milking and frames for maps - he also painted office desk & book case combined also letter press stand. John Cotton is doing well and it is astonishing what he remembers especially as he has not been to school since he left here in '85 and then he had only five months schooling. I hope we may be able to keep him for a few years - he is a good worker and so far appears to deserve the notes after his name in the school register. Joseph Arican no better or worse.

TUESDAY 14

(45-321)

Cold - 30 below zero this morning and a nice little breeze blowing wind went down towards noon and mercury rose to zero. Congé to day in order to prepare well for Lent. Boys played well all day with toys in the forenoon. In the afternoon we had dancing too in the girls side - we tried the girls by themselves first but found it necessary to have a few of the boys up in order to enliven the proceedings a little. We had a visit from two Larcees on their way to Blackfoot and to visit friends - they wanted food but the Principal made them rather ashamed by telling them that their reserve is the only one from which we never had any children - One was called Roach Mass - he had pass for ten days signed by Mr Cornish. John Cotton does well so far. Joe the same as ever - still in bed.

WEDNESDAY 15

(46-320)

Ash Wednesday - a fine day hardly any frost during the night and began to thaw about noon at time of writing. 8.30 AM is thawing fast. Called boys at 5.30 this morning in order that they might attend Mass & receive the Ashes - otherwise the usual routine - Baptiste Ss Callihoo & English on Farm in morning drawing hay to the stable - Guillaume Osipyas & John Ledoux in afternoon - Bake day to day Solomon in forenoon with Mr Picard Lawrence and Isidore in the afternoon "Ukiskini Oshinay" beginning to prove rather a burden - he comes at all hours and wants to go every where through the house as fancy takes him. Also wishes to have the Principal in attendance on him all day - seems to think that we have nothing to do but talk to him -

February

THURSDAY 16

(47-319)

1888

Thawing fast - a chinook blowing all day - not much snow left now. Mail day. Principal left for Calgary on business brought our letters with him. Four letters from Department by Berg - rather strange that they do not mention anything about the reduction in assistants salary. Wash day to day - No boys with Carpenter go they could not be done without in the wash house little boys are not strong enough to work was in machine. Ss Callihoo & English spent all the forenoon drawing water & cutting wood for wash house - "Ukiskini - oshinay" and Winnipeg Jack leave to dry - Mr Picard & John Cotton does very well he is a splendid worker and if we can keep him for a few years he will do well.

FRIDAY 17

(48-318)

Splendid day "Chinook" still continues to blow. Am afraid that the Rev Principal will find it hard to get back from Calgary to morrow with sleighs 60 degrees in the shade to day. Girls washing to day otherwise usual routine - Mr Picard & boys making doot for ice house - also preparing to bake to morrow. Farmers were picking potatoes in the forenoon with Ss English & Callihoo and again in the afternoon with Guillaume Osipyas, John Ledoux & Baptiste Lofon - reports a few potatoes and turnips frozen - not many though. Besides usual fatigue & had the boys making drains to carry off all the water in yard - between wash house and Kitchen - it was necessary as it was almost impossible for the Sisters to go out without getting wet.

SATURDAY 18

(49-317)

Another fine day - still continues to thaw - very little snow left now on the prairie - half a days school as usual on Saturday kept the boys busy in afternoon making drains to carry off water - also cutting wood - Farmers still at work in the root house. Ss Callihoo and English with him in forenoon & Guillaume & Baptiste and John Ledoux after dinner - these latter were reported for idleness - Bake day to day - Solomon in morning Lawrence & Isidore in the evening - Had Solomon at work making index for ledger in the afternoon - Isidore and Guillaume washed out three rooms during morning fatigue arrival of Rev. Principal from Calgary about half past six - he was obliged to leave the sleighs behind and had to borrow a waggon to come back in - reports the roads very bad.

February

MONDAY 20

(51-315)

1888

Five degrees of frost during the night - turned out a beautiful day - thawing hard - about noon the mercury reached 60 degrees. Mr Picard working at door - had Solomon in shop in afternoon. Isidore Lawrence in forenoon. Farmer with his boys at work in the Cellar - Guillaume Osihiya & Solmefelous with him in the forenoon. Baptiste Iun Inglesh & Iun Callihoo in the afternoon. Lent the boys sawing wood, gathering up small chips and tidying a bound wood pile during fatigue - also draining off water - they began using stumps to day after dinner and seem to take a great liking to them. Baptiste sentenced to loss of breakfast for disorders in Dormitory last night after light was lowered. Visited by three Indians on their way to Laramie - Little Left & two others - had pass for six days signed by Big & Blackfeet today.

TUESDAY 21

(52-314)

Ten degrees of frost last night - the ground was quite hard this morning - a loaded wagon could have passed over it without making any impression - thawed hard all day - the river is flowing at present and the water begins to get dirty. Carpenter working away at door - Farmer with the same boys working in the cellar - picking the potatoes this nipp etc. Brothers Mathew passed by to day - stayed a short time. on their way home report the roads fairly good. Visit also of two Sarce Indians names unknown - do not know if they possessed. Wrote letters giving piece of seed grain in Calgary - also acknowledging receipt of corn - also worked some at the ledger this afternoon.

WEDNESDAY 22

(53-313)

Looks like a change - think we will soon have snow nevertheless it turned out a splendid day usual routine to day. Boys cutting wood & making drains during fatigue. Farmer finished putting potatoes over this morning and consequently all the boys except those in the carpenter shop were in school this afternoon. Carpenter hung the door in store house, took some of the double windows away from dormitory and fixed a funnel to the drain for dirty water in the kitchen. All the girls except two stood up during supper to night. Seven Blackfeet here to day - six males and one female - old Maripitas out on their way to Calgary - they say that all their children are too young to attend school. Assistant busy writing letters to different agents asking if they can procure any children for us.

February

THURSDAY 23

(54-312)

1888

Turned very stormy about nine o'clock this morning - storm lasted only for an hour but it looked threatening all day. Usual routine to day - No boys on the farm this afternoon in the morning S. Leduc & Guillaume were engaged in carrying water. Carpenter with boys baked to day. Mail day. Dispatched letters to several agents and messengers asking them to procure children for us - only received two letters from the Department - one circular asking if we have any boys who are learning trade that could do work for public under supervision - the other referring to evans in January store return. Expect another spell of weather - one consolation is that it cannot last long now.

FRIDAY 24

(55-311)

A little colder than yesterday - cloudy morning but cleared up as the day advanced - Nothing unusual to day - noticed to day the boys well copy from one to another if they get a chance in school. The boy with Farmer went for a few loads of young pine trees to make引着 for fire escape - In the afternoon they went to break and collect branches on the hill - This is the only wood that is used in the bake house. Carpenter put a funnel in the side of wash house connecting with drain - and also did several other small jobs during the day. Must begin at returns to morrow.

SATURDAY 25

(56-310)

Cold this morning - a nice wind blowing - after a little snow fell - but it brightened up considerably before noon - School as usual in forenoon on Saturday. The boys have a good bit of wood cut now - Had them a work all afternoon cutting wood and cleaning up about a building etc. The usual weekly wash to day. Boys with Farmer still gathering wood but most of the forenoon is taken up in drawing water. Mr Picard sawed the rungs for fire escape and had them prepared - as soon as they dry he will begin to make the ladder. Began at store return to day and got original finished by five o'clock P.M.

February

MONDAY 27

(58-308)

1888

4 degrees of frost during night - a fine forenoon but it got windy and clouded up greatly after dinner. It began to snow about five o'clock and is snowing a little at time of writing. Jim Callihoo hauling water in forenoon Tom Lupton and Baptiste on the bank breaking and pulling branches. It would be better if they all were in school. Bake day for Mr Picard and his boys - when not engaged at the Bakery they were at work preparing one of the fire escapes. When finished it will be a very good ladder. The Rev Principal and the Rev Matson spent all day in the stockroom - they find everything fair & correct. Wrote letter to day in reference to the stock return. Also finished as far as was possible the stock return. If possible the former goes to Calgary to morrow.

TUESDAY 28

(59-307)

Dropped to zero during the night and snowed a little this morning. It cleared up towards noon and thawed for about half an hour when it turned to freeze again. Farmer Juvé left for Calgary this morning taking with him the wagon the Rev Principal borrowed last week - He hopes to be able to return with bob sleighs. He took letters to post for us. Carpenter engaged in making frames and blinds for cupboards in pantry. Regular routine of school and fatigue to day. Assistant busy preparing returns. The Rev Principal and sister clearly still engaged in taking stock - they finished in dry goods store to day. John Cotton confined to bed with a bad headache nothing more serious the matter with him.

WEDNESDAY 29

(60-306)

17 degrees below zero last night. Snow'd a little this morning. The usual amount of school and fatigue a number of the boys expressed a wish to write home. I promised to give them a trial. Farmer got back from Calgary with sleighs and a chest of medicine from Dawson Bob and Co of Regina. Everything correct as per invoice. Got permission to have well depensed but the cost must not exceed 860⁰⁰. Expect we can have the work satisfactorily done under that sum. Carpenter still engaged in making screens for shelves in pantry. Assistant very busy preparing returns.

March

THURSDAY 1

(61-305)

1888

25 below zero during the night - a very cold day. Dispatched returns to day. They were a little larger than usual this time. Begg passed earlier than is usual this morning. He is going to have a cold day's travelling. Farmer's English and Callihoo hauling water this forenoon - the other boys are kept cutting wood. Carpenter engaged in making more ~~carved~~ ^{carved} frames for the Pantry received by mail official cheques in favour of T B Rivot, Guillaumet & Leau's and & Son day. Also a letter from the Deputy Superintendent. General of Indian affairs referring to reduction in Assistant's salary and stating that the matter has been referred to the office to be reported on.

FRIDAY 2

(62-304)

34 below zero last night - a bitterly cold day. I hope this weather will not continue. The usual coal in to day. Farmer left this afternoon for Fish Creek to in search of seed grain - permission to but in the cheapest market came by mail yesterday. Mr Picard began to make cases for boys' boots - this one is to be placed in the Dormitory. The same boys trawling water again to day. Found that several of the boys had matches in their possession - told them that if I found any other of any with matches in their possession I would punish them very severely. This was absolutely necessary for in a moment of thoughtlessness they might start a fire.

SATURDAY 3

(63-303)

24 below zero during the night and decided cold during the day. As is usual on Saturday we had school only in the forenoon the after noon was devoted to fatigue and the menage. Usual weekly wash to day. Farmer returned with forty-one bushels of barley today he obtained them at six cents a bushel - it is a fair good sample of barley. Next week he intends going in search of oats and wheat - the roads are pretty bad now, not enough snow for sleighs and too much for wagons. I expect that they will improve soon as it looks very much like snow. Had a visit from two ladies to day - they wanted three bags the best rock sugar tea and tea flour and appeared rather astonished when they were refused.

March

MONDAY 5

(65-301)

1888

22 degrees below zero last night but about noon we had only 10 degrees of frost. Mr Picard at work on cases for boys' boots - each department is to be a foot square - there is to be fifty six departments altogether. The whole thing will take about two hundred feet of lumber.

Farmers started again in search of seed grain, before leaving he reported Guillaume Oshya and John L. Dawson for leaving their work without permission. It seems that Oshya has left or attempted to leave three times.

School as usual in the forenoon - kept the boys preparing for examination, notwithstanding all I say sorry to say that they made a very poor show this afternoon - it was very disappoiting after all my trouble to see them do so badly.

TUESDAY 6

(66-300)

12 degrees below zero last night - the cold is decreasing every day. It thawed a little today and at time of writing it looks like snow. School and fatigue as usual today. The farmer returns with five bushels of oats and 9 of barley. He met with what might have been an accident in descending the hill, one of his horses through not being shod very well fell well fell a couple of stones, and in recovering himself managed to get his lead under the neck yoke - this gave the wagon a turn and sent wagon team and all down the bank at a terrible speed - luckily the wagon was stopped by some bushes and deep in snow, if it got very far it completely overturned - nothing broken but the wheel - and only two bags burst.

WEDNESDAY 7

(67-299)

Not cold last night - the mercury was showed only ten degrees of frost. It fell this morning and a strong wind began to blow so it was very cold all day. Snowed for about one hour this evening.

Mr Picard baking today also working at cases for boots. Farmers engaged in general farm work all day. Assistant wrote letters applying for slate, copy books and some blank forms of returns. Also made out vouchers in favor of Slattery for seed grain. The Rev Principal held an examination of girls this afternoon & says that they made a very fair examination. Everything ready for mail tomorrow.

March

THURSDAY 8

(68-298)

1888

12 below zero during the night - a wind blowing all day made it very cold. Mail left about 10:30 this morning. The usual routine of school and fatigue to day. I intended making all the boys but four begin their arithmetic again - they are not at all well grounded in the addition. The fourth division who are learning geography are progressing very slowly in that branch. Mr Picard got the cases for boots nearly ready - He will finish to morrow I think. The Farmers at the usual farm work. Mail arrived about five o'clock - among other letters we had one from Mr Agent Conish saying that it was almost impossible to obtain children for the school.

FRIDAY 9

(69-297)

28 below zero last night - very cold during the day. Everything as usual. Mr Picard finished the cases for boys' shoes - it was given a coat of varnish also. Farmers are not a very severe cold - it seems to be quite silent at this time of the year. Lawrence does very well since this promotion - it has encouraged him and I fancy that he will endeavour to keep his place. It has certainly done so much good to be reduced as at present he is working harder both in school and fatigue. He applies himself with greater energy in order to regain his position.

SATURDAY 10

(70-296)

10 below zero during the night - it was a fine day - at present it looks like a change. Several people predict a change very soon now when it does break up I think it will be for good. It is time now. Mr Picard began to make a bird cage to day - there will be a lot of work on it. It will not be loss of time as the boys will have a lot of mortising to do - and this is first rate practice. The usual weekly wash to day - and men aged after it. Assistant visited Stewart to see if there was a chance of mailing some letters the trip was fruitless as Stewart had left for Calgary this morning.

March

MONDAY 12

(72-294)

1888

only a few degrees of frost last night. It began to thaw so fast that about four o'clock this morning there was no snow left on the prairie. The Rev Principal left for Calgary on school affairs this morning. It is to be hoped that he will succeed in offeringing a man to teach our well.

Mr Picard working on his bird cage - it is an elaborate contrivance.

The Farmers engaged in hauling water for the house and washing purposes.

The girls engaged in washing for the community to day. kept the boys busy during fatigue in cutting wood and in making straws to carry off the water.

TUESDAY 13

(73-293)

Looks stormy and snowed a little during the day - 10 degrees of frost last night. Began to thaw again about noon - the river began to flow towards evening - the water is now very dirty - luckily the Farmers succeeded in drawing enough for washing the morning.

Mr Picard still working at cage. Boys with Farmers began fanning this afternoon and got through quite a bit of work.

John, Cottre, Lawrence, Talle, Mr ore and Guillame, Ostryas washing this morning.

Solomon, Jimmy, Callipoo & Jimmy English took their place in the afternoon. Snowing just now.

WEDNESDAY 14

(74-292)

Weather very unsettled - looks stormy but still continues to thaw. Mr Picard finished cage to day. Farmers have finished cleaning seed grain and drew water from "groups". Girls engaged in washing their own clothes today. It was good luck the washing began on Monday if it had been delayed for a few days it could not have been done as the water in the river is too dirty now. Rev Principal returns from Calgary this evening - has secured men to keep our well at 85° per foot. They will be here on Monday next.

March

THURSDAY 15

(75-291)

1888

5 degrees of frost last night - too red out a beautiful day but looked threatening towards night. Carpenter with his boys busy to day Farmer at work with his hot bed and the root house. Big passed early this morning - he says the river is beginning to be hard to cross. There is three feet of water over the ice already and the ice looks like floating at any moment. Mail matter not much to day - receipt of official cheques - the Assistant Cheque still for forty dollars a month and not a line about the deduction. By the way three or four Indian camped very close last night.

FRIDAY 16

(76-290)

Little or no frost last night a beautiful day. The usual school and fatigue to day. Mr Picard the carpenter leaves for Calgary on two days leave of absence - he intends returning on Sunday. The farmer has his boys at work cleaning up the manure from around the stable - they are also engaged in turning the manure pile.

In the afternoon I sent the big boys not engaged with the farmer to work on the bank breaking branches - all our cord wood is sawn into stock lengths so it only requires splitting now according as it is wanted. keep the little boys busy in raking up chips around the wood pile.

SATURDAY 17

(77-289)

St Patricks Day. A splendid day though cold in the evening. Usual half days school to day. In the afternoon had all the big boys at work on the bank breaking and piling branches - they also did some road work on the hill which has become bad and dangerous. The little boys in charge of the Matron performed the menage through this side of the house. Mr Picard in Calgary so his boys were engaged at the same work as the others. The usual weekly wash for the boys. Began to use the lavatory to day. There is no danger now of the water freezing in the pipes.

March

MONDAY 19

(79-287)

1888

A few degrees of frost during the night - did not thaw any during the day - it began to blow a regular gale towards noon and continued till after sunset when it got milder.

Cold to day - the feast of our patron Saint Joseph - The boys and girls are too engaged themselves playing on the ice near the bottom of the hill - the weather is still very cold. The men who were to begin digging the well to day have not arrived - it will be too bad if they do not come as very soon it will be too late.

Mr Picard returned from Calgary yesterday evening

TUESDAY 20

(80-286)

Snowed a little last night - a stiff breeze blowing all day - thawed a little in the sun at present it looks threatening. Girls began to bake to day for first time - we intended that they should learn some time ago but as Sophie had a sore finger it was impossible for them to try before to day. The usual School and fatigue to day. Mr Picard painted easel to day and also painted desks and benches in the School room. The boys with Father engaged in fixing and preparing the hot beds. The ice on the river began to float this afternoon - expect that it will move very soon.

WEDNESDAY 21

(81-285)

A splendid day - the wind went down before noon when the sun came out very strong. The school open for usual number of hours - everything as usual. Mr Picard repairing different things around the buildings. The Farmer and his boys still at work with their hot-beds. There is quite a lot of cabbage and other seed already sown. Have not received our supply of garden seeds as yet - it is full time we had them now. The ice in the river is off at now - it will not take long to move. Mr Sullivan and man arrived this afternoon to fix our well. hope they will make a good job of it.

March

THURSDAY 22

(82-284)

1888

Cold during the night - about fifteen degrees of frost. Usual School and fatigue to day. It requires an awful lot of pounding to make the boys learn the definitions of geographical works - the and arithmetic are their stumbling blocks. Mail day to day - Bill passed early this morning - posted no letters by him as the farmer is going to Calgary tomorrow. Mr Picard engaged in doing general repairs.

Farmer and Reeks his boys at work turning manure. Mail arrived after supper and among others we had a letter from Mr's Agent Baldwin of Edmonton giving us very little hopes of having any children from his agency but saying that he will continue to exert his influence to obtain some for us men working away at the well.

FRIDAY 23

(83-283)

Snowed a little last night also during the day. Usual School and fatigue. Carpenter engaged in doing general repairs - he also made some stools for the girls to use while milking. The girls baked to day and made very nice bread.

The farmer left for Calgary to day. he is gone for seed grain - it was snowing hard when he left. The men at work digging the well to day. the water seems to be coming in very fast and if they can go any depth we will have a splendid supply of water. Had to punish Guillaume Osh as for disobedience. Just heard to day that Mr Reeks is in the North I suppose he will speak to the Indians about sending their children to this school.

SATURDAY 24

(84-282)

Cold and stormy all the forenoon. The usual half days school to day. Carpenter engaged in doing general repairs around the buildings today. As the afternoon was very fine I sent the big boys on the bank again breaking branches. This is the only wood we use in the black house and it is necessary to have a quantity of it piled now as in the seedling time the boys will have all the work they can do. All the boys took their usual weekly wash again to day - and the little ones in charge of the matron did the menage through the house. The men stopped digging in the well to day as the water was coming in too fast to allow them to dig. Farmer got back from Calgary after supper.

March

MONDAY 26

(86-280)

1888

Cold during the night - and at present looks stormy. The usual school and fatigue to day. The carpenter working at ladder for the house to day - he also made a new ladder to replace one that had been broken - this is one used in the stable. The boys on the farm continue to turn manure. I am afraid that all our cabbage plants have been frozen - this is too bad as they were doing so nicely - will have to sow them all over again. The men digging the well left for Calgary yesterday having dug it to the depth of five feet. At present there is seven feet or perhaps eight feet of water in it. I again sent the big boys to work on the bank this afternoon during fatigue.

TUESDAY 27

(87-279)

Cold and windy during the night - but was really beautiful for a few hours this morning but it changed in a few minutes and we had a very bad snow storm that lasted till noon. This storm delayed Farmer Auvé who intended leaving for Calgary early but could not start till the afternoon. Mr Picard finished one of the big ladders for the house and also removed some of the double windows. School an fatigue as usual to day. The big boys were again at work on the bank breaking and piling branches this during fatigue. Just now it looks very much like snow and I am afraid the Farmer will have a bad day for his return trip.

WEDNESDAY 28

(88-278)

Cold and cloudy - a little snow at times. The usual school and fatigue - Lawrence in school all day in order to enable him to perform his Easter duty. Bake day to day, Mr Picard baked to day. Solomon helped him in the morning & Isidore in the afternoon. In school we had a repetition of the weeks work in preparation for the monthly examination. The farmer returns from Calgary about five o'clock with fifty bushels of oats - Cameron has charged 68¢ for it and not 65¢ as the Department informed us - His prices are a little higher than Bannermans. Report from S.B Lucas of Peace Hills - he promises to do his best to send us children - if anyone willing to go he will send them right away.

March

THURSDAY 29

(89-277)

1888

Holy Thursday - All attended Mass this morning. Every one who had already made their first Communion performed their Easter duty - Looks threatening still expect we will have a big snow storm soon. All the boys except those with the Carpenter in charge of the clatson house cleaning. The seem to like working with the sisters - the nearer their work is to the kitchen the better they like - I kept three boys hauling water from the well all the forenoon and could not run it dry - the water comes in all the time and quick too. Both the school room and the refectory were well scrubbed to day. Not much mail - No seeds as yet.

FRIDAY 30

(90-276)

Good Friday - Snowed a little and threatens more - all fasted to day. House cleaning continued - The dormitory and lavatory got a thorough good cleaning and scrubbing. I forgot to mention the arrival of butcher yesterday with 356 lbs of beef - he nearly stuck in Fish Creek. The big boys worked exceedingly well to day and yesterday if any one deserves especially to be mentioned it is John Cotton our new Black foot pupil who is really a capital worker - he seems to have his work at least and is always happy when he has something to do. Had stations of the cross & also adoration to night - looks like a big storm & is very cold.

SATURDAY 31

(91-275)

Snowing and stormy. Still house cleaning, washed stairs, passages, doors etc today. All finished and every boy worked well. They seemed to be pretty tired today and no wonder. Stations of the cross in the evening. The boys took their usual weekly wash in the afternoon and all had a change of under clothes and stockings. An issue of boots and shoes was also made - some boys required two pairs. They are hard on boots. I am afraid the floors will not remain clean very long as just now it is extremely dirty under foot. Easter sun day to morrow.

April

MONDAY 2

(93-273)

1888

Easter, Monday and April fools day. Congé granted to day by Rev Principal. The letters, so far received from the Indian Agents, give very little hopes of receiving any great addition to the numbers of our pupils. It is really a difficult matter to obtain children while the odd schools on the reserves continue to be a draw back instead of an aid in recruiting children.

I will just mention one occurrence that will show the feeling of the Indians towards this school. Father Legal was asked by an Indian to adopt his child. "If you come my child" said the Indian "I will do anything you wish." Father Legal succeeded. The Indian called on the Rev Father to renew his promise but added there is only one thing I cannot do that is give you my child for the Industrial School.

TUESDAY 3

(94-272)

Down to Zeros during the night - regular midwinter weather. Snowed hard this morning & still at times during the day. The usual school and fatigue to day. Had as much coal carried into the house to day as in the coldest day during the winter. Carpenter bakes again to day. So stormy for the boys on the farm to work outside. Struck off all offenders from the black list & began afresh from to day. Am going to change the method of reports again - well appoint special boys to oversee the others - you can never get at the rights of a thing giving every boy leave to report. Assistant worked & returns & also at letter writing - wrote twelve letters to day. Very few Indians passed lately.

WEDNESDAY 4

(95-271)

The thermometer registered zero last - a stormy and cold forenoon. The usual number of school hours to day. The Rev Principal left for Calgary on business in the afternoon - too cold for boys on farm to work outside. Carpenter made boxes for carrying coal and also framed some slates. The Assistant hard at work in the office between and after school hours finishing returns & writing letters - Heard to day that some of the boys are in the habit of taking bones from the dogs and eating the meat from them. We spoke about it in the refectory before the girls and made them so much ashamed that I do not think they will do it again. A Black foot by name of Boot Eagle, a child she had ^{also} called after bed time and asked for bread and tea for her children - I told him to come in the morning.

April

THURSDAY 5

(96-270)

1888

Cold during the night. but promises to be a fine day. A beautiful day. Dispatched Returns to day. The Indian "Boo Eagle" who was here last night came this morning with his two children - we asked him to leave his children here - he said to ask the children themselves - this looked like stretch but after a lot of talking he promised to wait till the Rev Principal came back and then he would see what he would do. He has a pass. I do not think it is his as he told me his name was "six faces" & on the pass (which by the way was dated 14th March for ten days) which stated that he was on his way to Laredo to bring his mother & her husband was dying, the above name was given. Girls washed in the fore-noon - five boys washed the sheets in the afternoon & not much by mail -

FRIDAY 6

(97-269)

A beautiful day - thawed hard to day. Boys washing. It took all day. John Cotton, S. Callihoo, Baptiste Lafon, Guillaume Shybas in the morning - Lawrence Isidor and J. English & Isidor replaced them in afternoon. S. Callihoo & Baptiste drove water all the afternoon. Bake a captain & Vickard bakes again to day. All the other the boys in school and engaged during fatigue in making traps to carry off the water - Mr. Boot Eagle has not showed up to day so I would not be surprised if he has left. Rev Principal arrives from Calgary - a letter from Agent Cockington in which he remarks that he has no doubt that boys less than the age of 12 & 14 could be procured. Must write to him soon & ask him to send whatever children he can obtain so long as they are not too old or too young.

SATURDAY 7

(98-268)

Thawing hard still - very dirty under foot. The usual half days school. The boys made traps during fatigue. Isidor not in the shop in forenoon as he with the other children who had not already performed their master duty did so to day. The ice on the river has risen and many start at any time as the water is pouring into the river from all sides. The usual weekly wash to day. All the big boys not with the farmers & Carpenter on the back breaking branches. Farmer Ave with his boys repairing the fence on the hill.

April

MONDAY 9

(100-266)

1888

A strong wind blowing and almost freezing.
Farmer Auvé starts for Calgary in search of lumber
seed peas and wheat.

The river flooded yesterday and all the ice started
but stopped at the Bow River. This river is not yet open.
Examination held in morning by the Rev Principal
on the girls side. In the afternoon on our side it
did not finish till six o'clock. The fourth division
passed a very fair examination it might perhaps
have been a little better in geography.

The third division did very poorly so poorly in fact
that I had to furnish them all. John Cotton did very
well considering the difficulty he has in pronouncing
English. He also got special cross for fatigue.

TUESDAY 10

(101-265)

Still blowing hard - not cold though. Large flocks
of ducks and geese seen to day - a large number of duck
in the little pond at the bottom of the hill. Mr Picard
working at repairs. Farmer returns from Calgary with
lumber and seed peas & wheat. He also brings garden
seeds with him. They come just in good time.
The cabbage that was sown sometime ago came
to nothing and we will have to sow it all over
again. Tried to shoot some ducks this afternoon
but found it extremely difficult to approach them.
Our neighbour Stewart has already sown twenty
bushels of grain - it is almost too early as the ground
is scarcely thawed enough to allow the grain to be
well harrowed in.

WEDNESDAY 11

(102-264)

A fine day - windy towards dusk a very cold
frost last night. School & fatigue as usual - Fatigue
of today consisted of cleaning up the yard.

Farmer tried harrowing this morning but found he
could not succeed. The ground is scarcely soft enough
yet. In the afternoon he prepared a hog bed. The
one prepared some time ago is not hot enough.
Mr Picard and his boys at work fixing and making
screens for pantry.

Begg fetched his boat just opposite the school.
I thought he would not be able to cross at his
place. Mail day tomorrow.

April

THURSDAY 12

(103-263)

1888

A fine day but inclined to be windy. Sent no mail
by Begg to day. The usual amount of school and
fatigue. Mr Picard framed three maps and fixed
some doors to day. Farmer tried ploughing and harrow
ing again to day - the ground is scarcely thawed
enough yet but he expects that it will be soft enough
in a day or two to begin work in earnest.

Not much mail this afternoon - received official
cheques and cheque in favor of Mr Slattery for
seed grain. Cheque for assistant only forty
dollars and not a word about the reduction yet
although we have written twice about the matter.
Received also two pounds of flax seed.

FRIDAY 13

(104-262)

A beautiful day - the thermometer registered
sixty five degrees in the shade to day. School and
fatigue as usual. Carpenter Picard making shelves
frames & screens for dairy. All the first books
were bound anew and covered with print - the
covers of these books are very poor.

Butcher arrived with 373 lbs of beef to day
dispatched receipts for garden and flax seeds
by butcher. River flooded to day and carried
off Begg's boat which he had only used once.
Farmer sowed garden seeds to day and marked
out land for ploughing. He intends starting in
earnest to morrow. Mrs Auvé killed the first
goose last night.

SATURDAY 14

(105-261)

Extremely warm to day. Usual half days school.
Mr Picard works away at improvements
for milk house.

Farmer began ploughing. John Cotton and
Sunny Callie took the first spell this morning.
Baptiste and James English were at work wheel
ing manure on to the garden. Farmer Auvé and
two boys - Guillaume and John led down ploughing
this afternoon - the two teams were employed.
The other big boys were digging in the garden
and all the little ones were raking and clean
ing up in the yard. The usual weekly wash
for all towards evening.

April

MONDAY 18

(107-259)

1888

A very stormy day - a continuation of yesterdays storm. Reverend Father Leduc arrived from Calgary on a visit to Principal. We gave board and lodgings to an Indian woman & her husband and crossed the river on a log and left her on this side without any food matches or tent. She came here yesterday about noon and left this morning. Her child was not of school age or we would have tried to have it. Mr Picard working at screens & shelves for pantry. The Farmer was kept busy around the buildings - too stormy to plough. The black cow was delivered of a nice little roan coloured heifer calf this afternoon. Mother and calf both doing well.

TUESDAY 17

(108-258)

Cold all day - a nasty east wind blowing also had a little snow this morning. Farmer Awé brought his ploughs from the field for Mr Picard to repair in the forenoon he also attended to his seeds in the hot beds. They are growing very slowly owing to the cold weather. In the afternoon he resumed ploughing with the two teams. John Cotton, Jimmy Calliphog & Baptiste helped him. Reverend Father Leduc visited school room this morning and asked the boys a few questions. He left in the afternoon en route for the Sarcee reserve. He is going to MacLeod this week and will confer with Mr Agent Pocklington re obtaining children for the school.

WEDNESDAY 18

(109-257)

Not very hot to-day. The usual amount of school and fatigue to day. Mr Picard baked to day. By the way it is just as well to mention here that the girls, who are able make you all batches of bread between bake days. Farmer Awé resumed ploughing with both teams to day. "Prince" one of the horses made a false step and sprained his foot slightly. It will be necessary to give a rest for a short time. An old horse belonging to the Mission that is on the prairie can be made to do duty for Prince. Farmer expects to be able to sow the wheat on Friday. During fatigue the boys clean up around the buildings and cart all the dirt away.

April

THURSDAY 19

(110-256)

1888

Very hot to day. School and fatigue as usual. Mr Picard put up the storm blinds to day. They required a lot of pairing as no two of the window frames are the same size. The double windows have all to be numbered in order to get them into the right frame.

Farmer Awé ploughing again to day with his two teams. Old "Pico" duty for Prince. The heat to day advanced the plants in the hot beds pretty well. The plants in the new hot bed have done remarkably well. Mail day. Despatched two Vouchers in favor of James Walker & A. J. Cameron. Among other letters received from Regina is one repeating that the Assistant at Qu'Appelle only receive \$40⁰⁰ although we are aware to the contrary.

FRIDAY 20

(111-255)

Cloudy in the morning but very hot in the afternoon. Carpenter made some extra storm blinds and put them up.

Farmer began to sow wheat to day - one team harrowing and the other ploughing. He sowed and harvested in all the wheat. He had three boys with him both in the fore and afternoon. Guillaume Osikyas, James English and John Leduc were relieved in the afternoon by John Cotton, Baptiste Lafond and James Pallikoo. "Prince" recovered duty in the afternoon somewhat the better of his shoot rest. School and fatigue as usual. Still cleaning up and carting dirt away.

SATURDAY 21

(112-254)

A fine day - at least morning. The usual half days school. The boys not with the farmer were employed in the garden scattering manure. Mr Bigg was here this morning and left for Galadby in the afternoon taking letters with him for Indian Commissioner Mr Van Koughnet and Bishop's Lacle and Grandin. Mr Picard "Baked" to day. Farmer engaged in ploughing and sowing barley. The first rain of the season fell in the afternoon when we had some nice little showers. All had their usual weekly wash towards evening.

April

MONDAY 23

(114-252)

1888

A very hot day - School and fatigue as usual. Mr Picard began to make a boat. It will very likely take him all the week to finish it. Farmer still ploughing and sowing barley. He was obliged to take the oxen from the boggs and give them the horses to plough with. He says that the boys can not manage the oxen at all. We began to cultivate the garden to day. every not on the farm and capable of handling a spade had to dig in the garden turning foliage. The little boys were kept busy in digging and cleaning up around the buildings. It is astonishing the amount of dirt that has already been carted away.

TUESDAY 24

(115-251)

Began to rain about five this morning and did not cease till noon. This rain will do a lot of good to the ground. Seeds in the ground now best to start very soon. The plants in the hot beds are now looking very healthy. The farmer resumed ploughing and sowing in the afternoon. Mr Picard working away at the boat. Kept the big boys at work this afternoon in the parlor - expect to be able to have some peast tomorrow. The hour for Catechism has been changed to after supper. John Cotton punished to day. His first punishment. Hope it will be his last for he will become discontented if he gives cause for frequent punishments.

WEDNESDAY 25

(116-250)

A beautiful day very hot in the afternoon & looks like rain now. Carpenter Picard finished and painted the boat and began the oats. Farmer Awé still ploughing and sowing. He sowed oats to day. If not delayed by rain he will now be able to get through the work more quickly as the ploughing is near finished. The boys are kept busy in the garden during fatigue. Some peas and lettuce were sown today. Worms have already been found. hope that they won't prove numerous enough to do harm. Philomena Hudson baked very nice bread to day.

April

THURSDAY 26

(117-249)

1888

A beautiful forenoon - turned windy with rain & hail in the afternoon and end in a very bad snow storm which still continues. Farmer Awé sowed some oats & peas in the forenoon and was just able to finish ploughing in the afternoon before the big storm of hail came on. Carpenter took to day an a finished painting the boat and making the oars. Mail day. Begg passed here this morning about ten o'clock. Beld did not get back till after seven and even then he had a pretty bad time coming in face of that storm. Letters permission granted to buy a horse at cost of not more than \$100⁰⁰ also one stating that Deputy Capt General made a mistake in reference to Luapille assitant salary.

FRIDAY 27

(118-248)

Continues stormy - about four inches of snow on the ground and it is still snowing. Clears up towards noon and the snow is now disappearing fast. Farmer attended to his stock and looked after his tools implements etc. Mr Picard and his boys began to make a wash stand for the tank in the recreation room. the present one is too high for the small boys and in their endeavours to wash they spill the water all over the floor. The usual amount of school to day. No fatigue at least outside - too wet under foot. began to rain again about six o'clock. Although the spring has been a little late, up to this we have had plenty of rain.

SATURDAY 28

(119-247)

A nice day. The usual half days school. Mr Picard finishes his washstand paints it and the tank. Farmer Awé ploughs a small piece of land up in the "coolie" with the object of trying how garden seeds will grow there. In the afternoon he ploughed & sowed some peas here in the field near the school. A few of the boys were also kept digging in the garden and some garden seeds were also sown. The usual weekly wash for all this afternoon. Found out to day that some of the boys are in the habit of eating shoe blacking. In fact they seem to eat anything that comes to hand.

April

MONDAY 30^T

(121-245)

1888

A very fine day - School and fatigue as usual. The Rev. Principal left for Calgary on school business. The Farmer and his boys at work sowing oats, harrowing and ploughing. He will nearly finish with the oats to day. Mr Picard began to make a roller to day. We had estimated for one but the Farmer wishing to have one for this Spring - we thought it just as well to make one and to purchase the few irons necessary for it. During fatigue the boys carted a lot of water. The girls did their washing in the afternoon. Rained in the evening.

May

TUESDAY 1

(122-244)

A cloudy day - and raining at times. School and fatigue as usual. Girls washing to day. It takes a lot of time to carry water pail by pail from the well especially when we use so much as we do on washing days. Farmer finished ploughing and sowing on the hills and began to plough a little in the field near the School. Mr Picard working away at the roller. Raining hard in the afternoon and it still continues. It rained nearly all night - this will be splendid for the crops. Assistant busy at the monthly returns.

WEDNESDAY 2

(123-243)

Rained a little this morning - and then cleared up till evening when it came down cats & dogs. Very few boys in school to day - and no water left water carrying done during fatigue. Farmer engaged in taking potatoes out of the root house and putting them in shed. Mr Picard and his boys baked to day. Four boys with Mr. Marie Heriot in the wash house they with the Carpenter and three with the Farmer leaves very few children for school. Assistant busy with monthly returns which go to morrow.

May

THURSDAY 3

(124-242)

1888

A nice day enough but looks very much like rain. School and fatigue as usual to day. Dispatched the monthly returns to day. The Rev. Principal arrives from Calgary about noon. He brought a new horse with him for which he paid \$100⁰⁰ cash out of his own pocket. The horse seems to be a good heavy horse. Farmer ploughing and removing potatoes from the root house. Mr Picard working away at roller which he expect to finish to-morrow. All the garden is now dug and a good many seeds are already sown. Farmer sowed peas to day. Not much of any importance by mail to day. Regulations regarding permits to cut wood on D Land's property. Rainy towards night.

FRIDAY 4

(125-241)

A fine day. School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys were kept busy in the garden and cleaning up around the buildings it is awfully hard to keep the yard clean - however it is employment for the young boys and cleanliness is a thing about which an Indian cannot bear too much. The farmer kept one team harrowing on the hill & the other ploughing in the Valley. He also sowed some peas - has finished the six bushels. Carpenter finished the roller to day so next week they will be able to begin rolling.

SATURDAY 5

(126-240)

A very fine day - very hot - the usual half-days school and fatigue. Mr Picard baked to day Farmer and his boys - ploughing, harrowing and sowing corn. He also carted manure on to the field where he intends sowing turnips. He finished on the hill yesterday and is now able to give all his time to the field near the school. He finished harrowing the peas to day. They are all in now - some garden seeds were also sown - the plants in the hot beds do not appear to be very healthy - they have a burnt appearance looks as if they had been eaten by flies. Had a visit from Mr Henderson of "Henderson's Pocket guide Gazetteer" of Winnipeg

May

MONDAY 7

(128-238)

1888

A splendid growing day - very hot all day. School and fatigue as usual. The Carpenter & his boys repaired odds & ends to day. The Farmer sowed a lot of turnips this day. John Cotton rolled and ploughed a little in the morning. Calliope & Baptiste were carting manure with the horses oxen. Guillaume ploughed and harrowed all the afternoon. Stedout and James English carted manure. The Rev. Principal worked in the garden all day - sowed a large bed of onions and smaller quantities of other seed. The flax was also sown to day. Will have to take severe measures with George Robinson, Baptist & Andre Lafon. They come up too often for punishment.

TUESDAY 8

(129-237)

A fine day warm and rained nicely towards evening. School and fatigue as usual. Rev Principal working away in the garden sowing different kinds of seeds. Farmer's boys ploughing and rolling and carting manure. They also sowed some more corn to day. The farmer sowed a big quantity of turnips. The Carpenter engaged in repairing odds & ends about the house. Was obliged to sentence the three boys mentioned yesterday to a diet of bread & water for two days. Some lettuce and peas are beginning to show up nicely already. Edward laid up with a very nasty fever. He suffers from a skin disease.

WEDNESDAY 9

(130-236)

Rained again to day - we are having a good quantity of rain - none too much though it rises up very quickly. School and fatigue as usual. Rev Principal engaged in transplanting rhubarb. The Farmer & his boys hard at work. Carting and spreading manure on the field - ploughing, rolling, making drills for carrots, malvolds and sowing these last named also. They also cut some potatoes for seed. Mr. Picard engaged in doing general work. Edward was absent with Castor oil and looks much better today. Carpenter making a new door at back of bake house.

May

THURSDAY 10

(131-235)

1888

Ascension Thursday, a church holiday. No school to day. Big mail carrier passed early to day - had no mail for him as we expect the letters to-morrow. It Rained off and on all day. Nothing of any consequence to notice. The new horse slightly indisposed - laid up with a cold.

FRIDAY 11

(132-234)

A fine growing day - a few degrees of frost last night and in fact every night for the last week - but not hard enough to do any harm. School and fatigue as usual. Butch arrived with 200 lbs of beef in forenoon. Rev Principal still transplanting rhubarb. Farmer cutting potatoes for seed all day. Some of his boys were borrowing others rolling - kept the boys busy during fatigue in preparing ground for cabbage plants. These plants are now beginning to have a more healthy appearance. Carpenter baked today and finished working at the door in bake house. All well.

SATURDAY 12

(133-233)

A very warm day. No school to day all the boy employed in sowing potatoes. Something over thirty bushels sown now. The Carpenter fixed the porch of the school room and began to make a turnstile for garden. Towards evening all the boys washed and performed the ménage in charge of the Matron.

I must say that the boys without exception worked very well to day. But if any were inclined to be lazy it was No. 4 & Isidore. He is very lazy - in fact the laziest boy in the house. In the evening while the boys were washing the farmer cut more potatoes for seed.

May

MONDAY 14

(135-231)

1888

A nice day enough - inclined to be windy. School in the forenoon only. Farmer and his boys employed all forenoon in cutting the remains of the potatoes. Mr Picard engaged in finishing and putting up the turn-stile and in making soap boxes in the afternoon.

All the boys sowing potatoes in the afternoon - about forty-five bushels sown now. The farmer expects to finish to-morrow at noon.

The boys continue to work well and sowing potatoes is a thing that all should know something about.

TUESDAY 15

(136-230)

Frost last night

A cold day with occasional showers of hail. School in the afternoon only. All sowing potatoes in the forenoon. It was pretty cold work too. Some of the little ones were almost crying. All the potatoes are now sown and the farmer says that there are over seventy bushels now in the ground.

Mr Picard baked bread to day and began to make a small desk for the Rev. Principal. School in the afternoon and I believe the boys were pleased as they were quite sick of potatoe sowing. Assistant worked at the books this morning.

WEDNESDAY 16

(137-229)

A slight frost last night

A fine day - very hot. School and fatigue as usual to day.

Farmer Auvin and his boys engaged in making drills - sowing a variety of seeds in the drills and in rolling the potatoes. Mr. Picard working at Desk for the Rev Principal. Sister Kelly takes the place of the Matron who is at present making her annual retreat which lasts eight days.

The Assistant employed his spare time in going over the books. The boys are all in excellent health. On a few signs of a skin disease begin to appear.

May

THURSDAY 17

(138-228)

1888

Frost again last night

Mail day - very nice and mild. Beggars pass by here pretty late. He usual amount of school and fatigue. The Farmer and his boys engaged in preparing the fence. He also went in search of the bull and after a lot of trouble got him home and cut him. The neighbours were complaining about his running loose among their cattle and as he could not be kept here for he would cross the river at the deepest place we were obliged to cut him.

Mr Picard engaged in finishing the desk and in putting new row-locks on the boat. A pretty good mail to day. A letter from the Dept. Capt. General re Assistant's salary.

FRIDAY 18

(139-227)

Frost last night

Observed as "Arbor Day" had a lot of holes dug and were prepared to go for the trees when it began to rain and continued all day. The butcher arrived about eleven o'clock with 150 lbs of Beef. He took away with a lot of mail brought for us - some to Ottawa and some to Repulse. Farmer planted some cauliflower flowers and the Carpenter some cabbages. Assistant and the Rev Principal busily engaged in writing correspondence. All in excellent health.

It is snowing now and very cold for this time of the year.

SATURDAY 19

(140-226)

Fine agrees of frost last night.

Cloudy - Cold and threatening. School as usual in the forenoon.

Farmer to Picard employed in repairing odds and ends.

Farmer went to look after the bull which was cut the other day and had crossed the river. Boys engaged in planting trees in the afternoon.

They boys had their usual weekly wash in charge of Sister Kelly the Assistant Matron. Some of the boys receive a lesson to learn for laziness - it is nearly always the same ones. The cold weather and the numerous frosts we are having are making people uneasy on account of the crops - there is no growth.

May

MONDAY 21

(142-224)

1888

Two hundred visitors
showed no pass

A fine day - cold enough in the morning - the usual frost last night. School and fatigue as usual only that very few boys attended in the forenoon. Four in the wash-house besides those with the trade-instructors made took just half of the boys from the school.

The Farmer and his boys got through a variety of work to day. Some "Timothy" was sown on the prairie and harrowed in. Posts for a fence around the garden obtained and some post holes dug. Some cauliflower and cabbages were also planted. Mr. Ricard repairing in the stable and the shed, freezing again.

TUESDAY 22

(143-223)

Four degrees of frost last night. These repeated frosts are delaying the garden seeds a lot. A very warm day. The usual number of hours for school and fatigue. It takes the boys most of their time during ~~the~~ the cabbage water. Carpenters busy repairing in the inside of stable and the door of the shed. The Farmers were carrying stones off the field and digging post holes for fence around cabbage garden.

A large number of savages were around to day. They crossed the school near the school and encamped at the Beaver head. Five of them visited the school. We have not had so many visitors for a long time.

WEDNESDAY 23

(144-222)

A beautiful day - extremely warm. no frost last night.

The usual number of hours for school and fatigue.

The Rev. Principal leaves for Calgary on business. Farmers were engaged in gathering and casting stones from the fields and meadow.

Carpenter baked to day and also did some slight repairs. Two more Savage visitors to day.

Joe Arcan off 047 asked to go to bed to night. I am afraid he will never rise from it again.

May

THURSDAY 24

(145-221)

1888

A fine day - Queen's weather. Her Majesty's birth-day Jan'd in London there as a whole play day. We took all the boys on a picnic. I spent a most enjoyable day. The girls and the Rev. Sisters must have also enjoyed themselves quiet as they found themselves without us. We did not return till pretty late - we found a lot of mail awaiting us - among other matters was a schedule for 1888-9 of a standard sample of axe, a sample of lantern, a cut or a plumb wick etc. We expect the Rev Principal to morrow.

FRIDAY 25

(146-220)

Another warm day. School and fatigue as usual. Rain is now badly needed. Butcher arrives in the forenoon with beef. Rev Principal returns from Calgary in the afternoon. He was accompanied by Mr Roderick Beff who has just arrived from Ontario and is on his way to his brother's ranch.

The farmers were employed in preparing land for cabbages, digging post-holes and casting stones from the field.

Carpenters were working at steps for front entrance and repairing the wall on the inside of horse stable. Joe Arcan - no better

SATURDAY 26

(147-219)

A splendid day - morning nice and fresh - afternoon very warm. The usual half days school to day. Kept the boys busy in the afternoon cleaning up about the stable and sheds. We have work in clearing up sufficient for double the number of out boys for a month to come.

Farmers preparing land for cabbages gathering stones, cutting poles for fence transplanting cabbages etc.

Carpenters finished steps and began to dig new house.

Joe Arcan getting weaker.

May

MONDAY 28

(149-217)

1888

It rained off and on all day yesterday.
Very warm today. School and fatigue
as usual.

Farmer Auvé and his boys getting out
holes for a fence around cabbage garden -
planting cabbages and carting stones off
the field where he gets his hay.

The Carpenter besides digging for hen-house,
making a bench, repairing stable, also
baked to day. Two of the little girls made a
very nice batch of bread on Saturday.

Guillaume Oskiyas painted this morning during
mass.

TUESDAY 29

(150-216)

A fine day - some slight showers of rain.
School etc as usual.

Farmers engaged in digging post holes, carting
stones of the meadow, transplanting cabbages
etc.

The Carpenters make covers for water-barrels
and dig for hen-house.

The garden I am afraid will be a failure
again this year, the worms are doing a lot of
damage. They have eaten more than half
the onions already, besides doing consider-
able damage to the beets, lettuce etc.

WEDNESDAY 30 (151-215)

A very warm day. had a frost last night
that cut down the corn etc
School and fatigue as usual. The boys are
employed during fatigue in carrying water,
and cleaning up around the buildings.

The Farmers were engaged in transplanting
lettuce, digging post holes and carting manure
away from the stable.

Carpenter worked and his boys are working
away at the hen-house.
The Assistant is at work preparing the returns
for the month just ending.

May

THURSDAY 31

(152-214)

1888

A fine growing day. a very heavy fall of
dew last night. School and fatigue as usual.

Mail carrier passed about 9:30 a.m. had
no mail for him to day as it is much ~~earlier~~
to send it by the butcher on Friday.

Farmers engaged all day in carting man-
ure away from the stables.

Carpenters working away at the hen-house
they are making a good job of it.
Nothing particular by mail to day.

June

FRIDAY 1

(153-213)

A fine day very warm - rain is really wanted now.
Carpenters and his boys working away at a hen-
house. They are making a nice job of it.

The Farmer is sowing cabbage plants - his boys
are also engaged in digging a part of the garden -
some of the plants that we've sown a little earlier
are now beginning to do well.

School and fatigue as usual - during fatigue
the boys are employed in cleaning at the back
of the stables and pig house. Mr Soules came
to day with 200 lbs of Beef. He brought his
daughter along with him. Assistant finished
returns and despatched them by Butcher. Leave of
absence granted to Carpenter.

SATURDAY 2 (154-212)

A fine day. The usual half days school and
fatigue. The Rev. Principal goes to "Ok otoks"
on business and returns in the evening.

Carpenter baked to day and also worked at
the hen-house.

The farmer repaired some fences and sowed
some more oats - as what is already sown does
not grow very well. One of his boys also dug
in the garden and transplanted some lettuce.

The usual weekly wash in the afternoon -
All tried on their duck suits. It is a good
time for them to have their summer clothing
as it is very warm these days.

June

MONDAY 4

(156-210)

1888

Rained nearly all day yesterday and a good part of to day. School and fatigue as usual. Began to teach the fourth division English Grammar to day.

The Rev. Principal started for Calgary on school business this morning. He must have had a nasty cold trifle.

Carpenter's and his boys worked at the hen house and also made a turn-stile and put it up at the gate we front entrance. It was necessary to have one as the boys were all the time leaving the gate open.

The Farmer's boys were in school all day or nearly. Assistant issued rations this evening.

TUESDAY 5

(157-209)

School and fatigue as usual, except that we gave all the children an extra half hour for singing class.

Cold and windy all morning, but warm in the afternoon. Carpenter's boys still working at the hen house.

The farmers engaged in carting away manure from the stable. This is a very necessary work as it was impossible to keep the yard clean while the manure remained near the stable.

Two policemen visited here this morning looking out for stolen horses. Also another man in search of a lost horse. Dressed the boys for the first time this evening after supper

WEDNESDAY 6

(158-208)

A fine morning - cloudy towards noon - and rained in the afternoon. A bad frost last night. Pumpkins, tomatoes, beans and corn very badly frozen.

School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys are kept busy cleaning up salt the back of the buildings.

Carpenter's boys still at work on the hen house another day will finish all the digging that is to be done. The Farmer attended to his garden while his boys were carting manure away from the stable.

Rev. Principal arrived from town just before supper.

June

THURSDAY 7

(159-207)

1888

A very wet morning - it ceased raining about noon but still looked very threatening. School and fatigue as usual. The children are progressing slowly but surely in their study of Geography - and I can say the same of English Grammar which they have begun to learn lately. Dispatched a letter to Agent Springett to day asking him to procure children for us. Mail carrier passed about eleven o'clock and got back at his usual time 5.30 p.m. Some letters from Regina and among them was one giving the decision of the Department re岐jstaats salary Carpenter, backed to day. And the boys on the farm attended school all day.

FRIDAY 8

(160-206)

A fine day - feast of the Sacred heart and therefore no school. The river is very high. And it is now hard work enough to cross the river in the boat. Butcher came to day with 230 lbs of Beef. We crossed the whole family of the Beers to day - they were en route for Calgary. Farmer Auvé and Guillaume Oshyas started for Calgary after dinner - they are to bring back our new Force Pump and also a buck board and harness which we got per mission to purchase yesterday.

Visited by Dr Fenniley, Rev Mr Davis, and also a lady and gentleman friend to day - they seemed pleased with everything that they saw

SATURDAY 9

(161-205)

Another warm day - The usual half-day school etc to day.

I made the farmers boys work during his absence Cleaning up around the stable. The Carpenter's boys finished digging the hen house and also made a few trough tules out of an old salt barrel.

In the afternoon all the boys were engaged in cleaning up around the stable etc. Farmer arrived from town with new buckboard - it appears to be a good one and cost \$60. The harness cost \$20. Oshyas arrived with pump just before supper. Now I wish it were up.

June

MONDAY 11

(163-203)

1888

A fine day - inclined to be stormy in the morning some slight showers fell in the afternoon. The usual amount of fatigue & school. The farmers were weeding the mangolds in the morning. The Carpenter made a tub this morning. All attended school in the afternoon for examination. The Rev Principal found some of them backward enough in dictation. They really are very poor in that branch.

The examination of the girls took place in the forenoon and the Principal was well satisfied. Drill after supper - it is and will be very hard to make them keep the step.

TUESDAY 12

(164-202)

A very heavy dew last night and a beautiful day following. School and fatigue as usual. The boys are still working at the cleaning around the buildings and have for sometime yet.

Farmers began to weed turnips after finishing the mangols. The worms are doing a lot of damage to the turnips. We issued 24 lbs of salt to day, mixed it with lime and tried it as a poison for worms. I hope it will succeed. Carpenter baked today.

No 47 Joe Arcan received the last sacraments to day. He is not expected to last long now. He is happy but has a great craving for candies.

WEDNESDAY 13

(165-201)

A very fine day. The growth was good to day. School and fatigue as usual. Boys still occupied in cleaning up. I placed some of the bigger boys in the garden this morning and began to clean it.

Farmers working away at the cleaning of the turnips. Guillaume Sikyas fainted again to day. It will now be necessary to give him a good rest.

Mr Picard and his boys began to cut logs for his house on the school land at the other side of the river.

Joe no better - as he eats nothing he will not live very long now.

June

THURSDAY 14

(166-200)

1888

A very fine day - very warm in the forenoon. School and fatigue as usual. Rev. Principal took away the old pump to day and now we must wait for a man to put the new one up.

Farmers busy weeding both turnips and carrots all day.

Carpenter Picard and his boys getting out logs on the South side of the river on the school property.

Received official cheques salaries for day to day - also forms for estimates and notice to fatten and kill the bull lately cut. Blowing hard just now. Joe still pretty lively but seems to have better sense than usual.

FRIDAY 15

(167-199)

A very windy disagreeable dusty day. School and fatigue as usual.

Farmers engaged in weeding turnips and carrots. Mr. Duvé complains that S. Callihoo is very giddy & lazy. This boy ought to do much better as he is very intelligent.

Carpenters at work felling and trimming timber. Mr. Bigg called and referred to the land on which it was cut - he was under the impression that it belonged to him. He left undiscussed and apparently satisfied.

Joseph Arcan No 47 died to night about nine o'clock. He talked very seriously all day and the Rev Principal expressed his opinion this morning that he would not live for Sunday. He was in his agony when the Rev. Father Kelly brought him his supper. May he rest in peace.

SATURDAY 16

(168-198)

No school to day - all the boys except those with Carpenter worked on the farm cleaning the field and around the buildings at the back of the stable.

Mr. Picard and his boys baked bread and made a coffin to day for the boy that died last evening.

John Cotton dug the grave in the forenoon. We will now have to make a small cemetery in the field at the back of the stable. Burial took place at three o'clock and afterwards the boys took their usual weekly wash in charge of the clattoon.

June

MONDAY 18

(170-196)

1888

A very warm day. The Rev Principal left for Calgary yesterday to see Monsignor Grandin. Mr Reilly of Calgary paid us a visit and was very well pleased with everything that he saw. No school to day all the boys at work in the field. It will be necessary to keep them there till it is all cleaned as the vegetables are beginning to suffer. Carpenter Picard and his boys fixing doors and making stands for candle sticks. Girls washed to day and consequently a lot of time was lost drawing water this morning. The boys worked very well both to day and to on Saturday.

TUESDAY 19

(171-195)

Threatening to rain all forenoon and rained hard in the afternoon.

No school in forenoon - all the boys at work in the field weeding and in the wash-house.

School in the afternoon as it was too wet to weed. The Rev Principal arrived about 2 p.m. with Mr Bloomfield and man to fix the pump.

The pump is now after a lot of work in place. During fatigue the big boys were employed in transplanting beets and the smaller ones in carrying manure away from the enclosures where we stack them up.

Raining hard just now. The Rev Principal brought a box of stationery with him from the C.P.R. Depot.

WEDNESDAY 20

(172-194)

Raining hard all day and promises to continue for the night.

School as usual today. No boys on the farm but two were employed in the wash house all day - Callio & Thibot in the forenoon and Baptiste Lafay and Leclerc in afternoon. Mr Bloomfield has got the pump up and all the fittings and solder work done - he also lined a sink and put it in place under pump with a pipe connecting it to drain.

He was obliged to take all the pump out of the well this morning as he discovered a sand hole in the pipe that required stopping. No more carrying of water.

June

THURSDAY 21

(173-193)

1888

Still raining - and cold rain too. School and fatigue as usual.

The mail carrier passed about 9 o'clock and returned about 4 P.M. Nothing of importance by this mail. A letter and cheque for Mr Cornish inclosed in mistake with a letter thus also some posters re starting of prairie and forest fires. Also a letter asking for a description of lumber to be supplied here this year.

Mr Bloomfield fixed taps in lavatory, waste pipe for closet and bath.

Carpenter Picard baked bread to day & did some odd jobs.

FRIDAY 22

(174-192)

A cold nasty windy morning. rained in the afternoon.

No school in the forenoon as all the boys were employed in weeding the field.

Carpenter Picard and his boys were employed in repairing wash boards, washing machine and other small articles.

Mr Bloomfield left this morning having finished everything late yesterday evening. Mr Soules arrived just about dinner time with 221 lbs of Beef. His contract will finish next week and the manner in which he has fulfilled his contract is very praiseworthy.

SATURDAY 23

(175-191)

Cloudy, cold and threatening though not raining. No school to day - all the boys at work in the field cleaning the potatoes - we will have to keep them there till everything is cleaned as the potatoes are suffering badly from the weeds.

Carpenter Picard left for town to day on leave of absence. He has had a nice day for his try. The boys did not wash this after as is usual, but all washed their feet after supper.

It promises to rain to night.

June

MONDAY 25

(177-189)

1888

Began to rain again yesterday afternoon - stopped towards night fell and resumed again this afternoon.

No school in the forenoon - all the boys at work in the field weeding the potatoes. Had school in the afternoon as it was too wet to work in the field. The three young geese that came out last week died yesterday. Cause of death not known. We are having very poor success in raising poultry. Very few chickens, no ducks and not geese.

The little girls are busily employed in washing the floors, doors, passages etc. They are cleaning from top to bottom on their own side.

Dull this afternoon

TUESDAY 26

(178-188)

A beautiful day - very warm. I thought we would have a snowstorm this afternoon - it was very black but passed by only a little rain falling.

No school today - all the boys were employed weeding the potatoes & turnips. They finished cleaning between the rows and in a day or so will have weeded around the plants.

The assistant worked all day at the books and the returns.

The girls worked very hard today. They cleaned & washed the house from top to bottom.

The carpenter and his boys baked today and repaired benches.

WEDNESDAY 27

(179-187)

Very warm in the forenoon. Began to cloud up about 12 o'clock. We had a heavy storm of hail in the afternoon. The hail was not very big but it came down in great quantity. After the storm we had some rain.

The boys worked all the forenoon in the field weeding the potatoes and turnips. In the afternoon it was too wet to work in the field.

The Rev Mother General of the Sisters of Charity accompanied by the Rev Sister Devin arrived towards evening. They came from Pittsfield. Mr Peard and Assistant went to Andrews School House to vote at 5 o'clock and returned before six.

June

THURSDAY 28

(180-186)

1888

The ground was too wet this morning for the boys to work in the field consequently we had school in the forenoon.

The farmer kept his own boys at work transplanting beets or rather mangolds.

In the afternoon all the boys worked in the field cleaning the potatoes and turnips.

The Carpenters made pins for hanging harness - took down the old ones which were too high and put up the new ones so that the boys are able to reach them.

The Assistant worked at books and returns in the afternoon.

Dull this evening.

FRIDAY 29

(181-185)

A nice fresh day. All the boys were employed in the field cleaning the potatoes and the corn. The field is now beginning to look well - the peas will be the only dirty spot in it. I am afraid that they cannot be cleaned.

The Carpenters baked today and made a shelf. The old flour is now nearly all used up so that very soon we may expect better bread.

The Assistant was busy today in going through the books and making out the returns.

Drill again this evening after supper. It is very hard to make the boys keep the step..

SATURDAY 30

(182-184)

A splendid day - all the boys worked the whole day in the field weeding the potatoes and turnips. The potatoes look well in the places where there were no weeds and on the whole the root crop promises to give a fair yield. In the afternoon at 3:30 the boys took their usual weekly wash.

The Assistant worked a while all day at the returns and finished them this evening.

Mr Peard and his boys were engaged in repairing the on the inside of coal sled.

Mr Soules brought 220 lbs of beef today.

July

MONDAY 2

(184-182)

1888

Celebrated Dominion Day - therefore no school. The boys fished nearly all day and caught some ten or twelve nice sized trout. The little girls took a drive - some in the forenoon and some after dinner. The Assistant and Farmer start for Calgary with the returns early this morning and return during the night after spending a most enjoyable day.

TUESDAY 3

(185-181)

A fine day. The Assistant and Farmer returned early this morning. School and fatigue as usual today. The Rev Principal went to Calgary today. He took Isadore Sedore with him. This boy has been lame for some time back. At first we thought that he was only scheming but now we are afraid that he has hip disease so the Rev Principal takes him to town to see Dr Lindsay.

Farmer Auvé had his boys at work in the field weeding.

The Carpenters baked bread and repaired a shelf to day and made a bench.

WEDNESDAY 4

(186-180)

Another fine day. School as usual this morning. In forenoon Farmer Auvé began to cross the logs from the other side of the river with the oxen but finding this way rather slow - he suggested another plan which incited having all the boys out of school in the afternoon. He took the oxen and horses across and drew the logs to the shore - then a rope was crossed - two lengths of rope were kept on the south side and one on the North - two boys on the other side attached the rope to the log - and five boys on the side began to pull the log across. This way promises to do well - we did not cross many this afternoon we had only time enough to get every thing ready for to morrow.

July

THURSDAY 5

(187-179)

1888

Another fine day. School in the morning. The farmers were working in the field all morning and the Carpenters began to build the hen house.

In the afternoon there was no school the small boys worked in the field and the bigger ones helped to cross the logs. There are only a few more to cross now.

The Rev Principal returned from Calgary bringing three new children with him. one girl and two boys, one of the boys seems to be very smart - the elder one has lost the use of one eye and seems slow. The latter objected to have his hair cut. we did not urge the matter - so he keeps his long hair. Blue-book came.

FRIDAY 6

(188-178)

A Warm day - 90° in the shade to day. No school to day. In the morning the big boys helped to cross the remainder of the logs and the little ones were clearing the turnips.

In the afternoon all worked in the field - the amount of weeds that were in the field is astonishing. This is the second time for it to be cleaned now.

The Carpenter worked away at the house - the logs are pretty crooked so it will be hard to build a good house.

The Doctor's opinion about Isadore is that he has hip disease - he ordered him to bed and says he will come out next week to fix him up.

SATURDAY 7

(189-177)

Another warm day - The boys worked in the field all day so there was no school. They finished to clean the whole field except the plots for the second time.

In the afternoon all had a bathe in the river to take off the dirt of the week.

They also moulded some potatoes this afternoon. The Carpenters worked at the hen house to day.

The butcher came yesterday with 227 lbs of Beef. Soulard Co continue to supply the Beef.

July

MONDAY 9

(191-175)

1888

School etc as usual to day. This has been the warmest day that we have had this summer.

Guillalme, Sedoux & Baptiste were moulding the potatoes in the forenoon. John Cotton, Tim English & Jimmy Callahoo took to the field in the afternoon and got through a nice afternoon's work.

Farmer Clure began to cut hay this afternoon.

Carpenter baked bread to day. He had company with him in the forenoon and Lawrence Taber after dinner.

John Sedoux was severely punished for striking one of the new boys with his hoe. The master took a short drive this evening. He returned with some chickens which he got in exchange for eggs from Mr Stewart.

TUESDAY 10

(192-174)

A very hot day - over 100° in the shade and a very hot wind blowing all day.

School and fatigue as usual to day.

The boys on the farm were employed in moulding potatoes in the forenoon. During fatigue all the boys not employed in trades performed the same work.

Farmers Clure cut hay all day to day. In the afternoon he took his boys with him and made them rake and cock the hay.

Carpenter Picard and his boys are building the new house. The most of the logs are crooked consequently he cannot make a nice job of it.

WEDNESDAY 11

(193-173)

A warm day still the heat was not as great as yesterday. School and fatigue as usual.

The Rev Principal goes to Calgary with the Rev Mother of the Sisters of Charity and the Rev Sister Devin and Cleary. They Rev Mother and Sister Devin are en route for St Albert.

The farmers continued to mould the potatoes in the forenoon and made hay in the afternoon.

The Carpenters are getting on with the hen house.

Gave all the boys a bath just before bed time on the other side of the river near the Beaver Head.

The new boy Joe Slattery says he is sick. I am afraid he is a schemer, as he only gets sick during working hours and otherwise at play time he seems to be at height.

July

THURSDAY 12

(194-172)

1888

Looked threatening all morning and began to rain about 4.30.

School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue we employ the boys in moulding the potatoes - our potatoes look very well so do all our other root crops.

The Farmers were employed in transplanting mangols, thinning turnips, carrots etc walls. The Carpenters are still putting up the logs of the hen house. They will perhaps finish the walls this week.

Rev Principal & matron arrived from Calgary during supper. Dr Lindsay came after supper to attend Isidore Sedoux. A number of letters to day

FRIDAY 13

(195-171)

A nice warm day. I thought that we were in for a hail storm this afternoon but it passed south. Dr Lindsay left this morning having fixed Isidore's leg and prescribed for Guillalme Olyras, Ed Arcan, Gylist Joe Slattery, Dally Devins.

School and fatigue as usual to day. The boys continue to mould the potatoes during fatigue.

The farmers were clearing the turnips again to day - they worked at the hay in the afternoon.

The Carpenters were employed in squaring logs for the hen house.

The Rev Principal brought the sewing machine and a box of stationery from Calgary yesterday. We had the Blue Book by mail yesterday.

SATURDAY 14

(196-170)

A nice warm forenoon. In the afternoon we had a bad hail storm which lasted for an hour and destroyed all our garden besides doing considerable damage to the turnips, potatoes etc - our cabbages and we had about 1500 very nice ones are completely spoilt.

The usual half days school to day - too wet in the afternoon for the boys to work outside. The Butcher arrived just before the hail began with 205 lbs of Beef.

The boys took their usual weekly wash this afternoon in charge of the matron.

Checked box of stationery and found every thing as per invoice.

July

MONDAY 16

(198-168)

1888

A nice fresh day - wind went down in the afternoon and then it was very hot.

School and fatigue as usual.

Farmers opened out cocks of hay to dry and brought home two loads.

Carpenters began to fill up cracks in walls of hen house. The walls are now finished. I had to reprimand Joe Slattery for laziness during fatigue thereupon he showed a very bad temper and had to be brought to school in the afternoon by force. Philomena Hudson's mother arrived after supper in company with Mrs. Slattery. Hail again yesterday. Turnips, beets & cabbages suffered severely. Took all the boys to bathe in the afternoon - Drill after supper.

TUESDAY 17

(199-167)

A very warm day - good growing weather School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys were employed in moulding the potatoes.

The Farmers drew home two big loads of hay - they also cocked a quantity of hay.

Carpenters baked bread and stopped some of the hole in the hen house.

Mrs. Hudson & Mrs. Slattery left this morning visited by several Larcees to day. They wanted tobacco, tea and flour. When asked how it was that they always wanted something when they came here but would never put a child in the school, they would not answer. Washing day for the boys.

WEDNESDAY 18

(200-166)

A good growing day - very warm. School in the morning in the afternoon the boys worked in the field moulding potatoes. Farmers drew home two more big loads of hay to day. His boys also worked at cocking hay.

Carpenters began to take the window out of place in Wash house and put it in another a little to the left. It is intended to put another door in the wash house at the back.

Boys washed all day to day. Several Louesson Denney, Solomon & Leboeuf in the morning. These were replaced by Joe Slattery two Cotton, Lawrenec & J. Callis in afternoon.

July

THURSDAY 19

(201-165)

1888

A nice warm day - half a days school and half a day in the field for the boys. They continue to mould the potatoes, the little ones are weeding the turnips - every thing beginning to grow again.

Hail carriages passed early - he did not bring much importance to his return - Farmers still drawing home the hay. Carpenters fixed blocks under the floor of the wash house which was sinking from the weight of the boiler.

Had a visit from ~~Mr.~~ Costigan, Collins & McHugh and man. Messrs. Costigan & Collins remained over night.

FRIDAY 20

(202-164)

A nice warm day - we had a slight storm of hail about 3 o'clock this morning. The flocks have been very bad this last few days.

No school to day. The boys worked all day in the field. The big ones moulding the potatoes and small ones weeding the peas.

Carpenters worked at hen house to day - they banked up the sides - they will begin to plaster next week.

Messrs. Costigan and Collins left for town this morning.

SATURDAY 21

(203-163)

A heavy fall of rain last night. a warm day following.

No school this morning - the boys worked in the field moulding the potatoes. The Farmer brought from the mower. The Carpenter baked to day.

We had a visit from the Rev Fathers Landreau and Lacombe. They arrived about noon, dined here and left for town about three o'clock. Father Lacombe distributed some candies to the children gave them good advice and obtained a half holiday for them from the principal.

July

MONDAY 23

(205-161)

1888

A fine warm day - a heavy rain & hail storm passed along the Bow river last night. No school to day. All the boys worked in the field moulding the potatoes and weeding the peas.

The girls made bathing drawers for the boys to day.

Farmer Huve began to cut hay in the bottom to day. His boys worked with the others in sowing the potatoes to day.

Carpenter Picard employed his boys in cleaning up and carrying away the dirt & chips from the hen house.

TUESDAY 24

(206-160)

A slight rain fall last night - it must have fallen very heavy along the Bow. The Rev Principal left for town this morning on business. No school to day. All worked in the field - the m potatoes are now moulded - they are very clean and present a good appearance. The boys also hoed the corn again to day. The weeds grow very fast this year.

Farmer Huve cut hay all day - in the afternoon his boys stacked and packed it. Carpenter Picard & his boys drew sand to make plaster for new hen house. Also did a little plastering. The first contract supplies received from S. G. Baker this afternoon.

WEDNESDAY 25

(207-159)

Rained heavily last night and consequently it was too wet for the boys to work in the field so we had school to day. All boys except the Carpenter attended school this morning. Farmer Huve cleaned garrots in the forenoon - in the afternoon he & his boys tossed out the hay to dry. In the afternoon fatigued the boys shod the turnips.

Carpenter baked to day also did some plastering. The girls washed to day and afterwards went to bathe.

A party of police passed through here this evening and camped on this side of the river near Pepp's place.

July

THURSDAY 26

(208-158)

1888

A fine warm day - School and fatigue as is usual today.

The Farmer and his boys drew in hay to day also made hay. The boys with the Farmer are working very well.

Carpenter Picard and his boys are at present employed in plastering the hen house. The Rev Principal arrived from Calgary this evening.

Mail carrier arrived with mail just before supper. Among other letters we had one from Agent Pepp in which he says that some of his Indians have recently promised to allow their children to come here after the annual payments are made - nothing is certain though.

FRIDAY 27

(209-157)

Very close to freezing last night - No school this morning as the Assistant had a lot of correspondence to get ready for mail. School in the afternoon. Took the boys at 11 o'clock to bathe. The water is beginning to get cold. Farmers employed in drawing in the hay.

Carpenters in plastering. Two police officers called to have their patrol sheets signed - one in charge of a party patrolling between High River & Blackfoot Crossing. The other party patrols between mouth of High River and Sheep Creek. Checked supplies to day. Coffe rejected as it was not roasted - other supplies found to be fairly correct - a few pounds short only.

SATURDAY 28

(210-156)

A fine morning. Threatened to rain all the afternoon but did not. Cold last night

School as usual this morning. The farmers continue to draw in the hay - they topped off a nice stack to day - it contains about ten tons.

Carpenter Picard and his boys baked to day. Took the boys for a bathe in the afternoon - the water is beginning to get cold now.

Butcher Soules came to day with 182 lbs of nice beef. This was his last delivery as S. G. Baker begins next week. Soules to fulfilled their contract in a first rate manner - every delivery gave complete satisfaction.

July

MONDAY 30

(212-154)

1888

A warm day. Rained hard last night and promised to rain again today but did not. School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys work among the peas, potatoes & turnips. The farrier cut a big part of the field of peas to day. They were not ripe but had to be cut as the weeds were so thick. These peas had already been reduced to half a crop by worms. He intends ploughing this part very soon. He also cut some hay to day. Carpenters did some plastering to day - and also made window frame for hen house. Assistant busy making out returns.

TUESDAY 31

(213-153)

A nice warm day. The nights are beginning to be fresh now. School & fatigue as usual to day. Farmers drove in all the peas & weeds that were cut yesterday. This stuff makes capital pig feed. They also drove in a load of hay. They have finished cutting all the hay in the bottom now. Carpenters finished plastering - they also made a register for the Matron. The carpenter begins to wish the new delivery of lumber was made. Indeed it is time as we have no lumber on hand at present.

August

WEDNESDAY 1

(214-152)

A nice warm day - everything growing well. School & Fatigue as usual. The boys engaged in cleaning the corn during fatigue. The boys on the farm engaged in raking and cocking hay. Carpenters baked bread to day and also began to make a box.

Had a visit from Bull Head Savoie chief to day. He asked for the Principal. The Principal sent him and spoke to him about leaving some of his children here. Bull Head agreed that this is good place for children to be but refused his saying that they were being educated at the School on the Reserve. He left when he received a present of tea bacon

August

THURSDAY 2

(215-151)

1888

Another nice growing day. Began to rain this evening. School and fatigue as usual. The boys continue to clean the corn and peas during fatigue. Boys with Farmer finished cocking the hay. Farmer began to cut hay again. Carpenter engaged in baking a box for clothes. The Savoies and their chief Bull Head left their camping ground at Beaver Head for Bigford Lake. They spent most of the morning around the school. No chance to obtain any children from them. Mail day to day. A lot of letters. Sent M. Woodhouse Royal Mail Driver his cheque for \$1.00 by Jeff the mail carrier.

FRIDAY 3

(216-150)

Rained all night and is raining still. Bad weather for the hay but good for the vegetables. School as usual to day. Too wet to employ the boys outside during fatigue. The Farmers ploughed a little this forenoon - in the afternoon all but the boy with the Carpenter attended school. Carpenter working at repairs to day. Butcher did not come very likely on account of the rain. I hope he will come to morrow as all the returns are ready to be mailed. Isadore Leavine the boy who is confined to bed with his disease - seems perfectly happy. He does not suffer.

SATURDAY 4

(217-149)

Rained a little this morning - cleared up about nine a.m. and began to rain again towards night fall. Half days school and half days fatigue as usual. The boys are knocking off a little of the rust in school now - the small amount of school they had during the last two months told on them somewhat. Butcher Soules who has contract of Beef from J. S. Baker came to day with 180 lbs of Beef. He also bought some bacon and beans part of J. S. Baker's contract. The boys worked in the peas and potatoes this afternoon. Cotton finished ploughing the patch where the peas were cut. The boys took usual weekly wash in charge of the Matron too cold to go to the River.

August

MONDAY 6

(219-147)

1888

A nice day enough - but the weather is still unsettled.

School and fatigue as usual. The sarcasses who passed by last week have again stopped at the Beaver Head.

The Carpenters baked again today - also repaired a few doors that were closing badly.

The Farmers tossed out their hay to dry and raked and cocked it again. Let us hope that we will not have any more rain. It has already put back laying a lot.

John Cotton's people came this afternoon on a visit to see their son. They intend staying for a few days.

TUESDAY 7

(220-146)

Rained again last night and also today.

School and fatigue as usual. No fatigue in the morning as it was too wet.

All boys except Carpenters attended school this morning.

The Farmers worked at their hay in the afternoon. I am greatly afraid that the Farmers will have great difficulty in saving the hay that is in cock.

The Rev Principal held an examination on the girls side this afternoon. He seems to have been satisfied. John Cotton is given a holiday while his mother is here. I think he would prefer to be at his work. During fatigue the boys were employed in cleaning up in the yard.

WEDNESDAY 8

(221-145)

A cold morning but gets warmer towards noon - and rains again in the afternoon about 3 p.m. The Rev Principal left this morning for Calgary on school business.

John Cotton's people also left for Blackfoot Crossing this morning. Lawrence Faber cried all morning after they left. This boy is very lonesome and anxious to leave. He has done nothing in school for the last few months and cries nearly every day. I am afraid that all the money and trouble expended on this boy will be for nothing. His character is very weak and I imagine that he will go back to the old habits when he leaves.

Farmers worked at their hay up to three o'clock when they began to cover the mounds on the root house with dirt. Carpenter fixed his tools and grindstone etc.

August

THURSDAY 9

(222-144)

1888

Not raining but threatening - and cold. School and fatigue as usual.

Mail day to-day. Mr. Beff passed by early this morning and returned about 5.30 p.m. Nothing of any consequence. The postman only gets \$40.00 for month of July.

Carpenters baked bread today and did some repairs.

Farmers worked at hay - they have drawn in of a good bit now.

Rev. Principal returns from Calgary after supper. He has a box of slate slates with him.

FRIDAY 10

(223-143)

A warm day - weather still unsettled. Examination to day held by the Rev. Principal. The boys with the Farmers worked half a day in school and half a day on the farm as usual.

The Carpenters attended school all day as they had nothing very pressing to do.

The Rev. Principal found the boys somewhat backward in their studies especially in Geography. It is astonishing how easily they forget this latter subject.

The Farmers worked away at the hay - they will finish to-morrow.

SATURDAY 11

(224-142)

A beautiful day. It looked as if we were going to have rain about 10 o'clock - but it passed over. The usual half days school to day. In the afternoon the boys not at the shop or on the farm were employed in covering the root house with gravel.

The boys took a bathe in the river this forenoon. The water was cold but refreshing. The girls went in the afternoon.

Mr. Soules got here in time for dinner with 17.5 lbs of Beef - He also brought the balance of the split peas, bacon and lard.

The farmers finished making hay and drew all that was cut to the stack.

August

MONDAY 13

(226-140)

1888

We had a terrible wind and rain storm last evening. The rainfall last night was the heaviest I have seen this year. School and fatigue as usual to day. The farmers boy attended school all day as it was too wet under foot in the forenoon and it rained again this afternoon.

The Carpenter's baked to day.

The Rev Principal and sisters Cleary and Kelly left for Calgary this morning. I am afraid that they got wet. Was obliged to punish John Cotton yesterday for disobedience - He refused to go across the river when asked by Mr. Soule.

TUESDAY 14

(227-139)

Rained a little during - and although it looked threatening we had a fine day. School and fatigue as usual to day.

The farmers were employed in turning manure in the morning and in the afternoon they fixed their hay stacks which had been tossed about by the storm on Sunday night.

Carpenter Picard's boys were at work washing all day. With these two and G. Oakes and Joe Slattery in the morning, the latter two being replaced in the afternoon by Tom Cotton and James Callidog. A big days washing was got through. Very English punshed for gross disrespect to Sister St Thomas.

WEDNESDAY 15

(228-138)

Rained last night and again this morning. Turned out a fine day. School and a fatigue as usual to day. During fatigue the boys were employed in weeding the corn and turnips. The Carpenters were employed in finishing a trunk.

The farmers were employed in ^{boarding calves & in} opening out their stacks of hay to dry and in turning manure. We were honored by a visit from Mr. Mrs. Bannister - Miss Winterbottom and Miss Tennessee today. They were shown over the building Rev Principal with Rev Sisters Cleary & Kelly returned from Calgary.

August

THURSDAY 16

(229-137)

1888

A fine day the weather seems to have settled now and we may expect a spell of fine weather. Indeed warm weather is now badly wanted for the crops.

Mail day to day - no letters of any consequence - schedules retubed - the contractors names and prices were filled in.

The farmers are up in some hay this afternoon in the forenoon they tossed out this hay to dry. Carpenters made some clock stands for clocks that were purchased by permission. The Rev Principal also purchased a box of hard ware while in Calgary. Mr. Morris McCHugh called here to day and stayed over-night.

FRIDAY 17

(230-136)

A beautiful day - splendid weather for the crops. The farmers finished laying this forenoon. Late in the afternoon they began to cut the barley. The yield of barley will not be as good as was expected. The Carpenters baked to day - and also did some repairs.

We had school & fatigue as usual to day - Mr. Soule came about dinner time with 208 lbs of Beef and also supplies delivered under contract by J. C. Baker. They will finish their contract next week.

SATURDAY 18

(231-135)

An other beautiful day - very warm the oats & wheat are beginning to turn. In another week everything will be ripe. A half days school as usual to day - In the afternoon the boys were employed in the field weeding - The weeds are coming on quick again after all the rain we have had.

The farmers finished cutting the barley and also raked it into windrows. The Carpenter repaired inside the stone house. The first delivery under contract made by the Hudson's Bay Co. to day. The tea is inferior to sample - also the stone Brushes.

August

MONDAY 20

(233-133)

1888

A very warm day - School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue kept the boys employed weeding among the pens. The Rev Principal was occupied all morning in the store.

The Carpenter made a shelf to day - Lawrence Father attended school all day as no work could be found at which he could be profitably employed.

The Farmers cut weeds on the field on the hill and also raked barley with hand rakes. Some Bloods called here yesterday to have something to eat - when asked for their children they got angry and pocketed the food then said that they came here to eat and not to leave their children.

TUESDAY 21

(234-132)

Another beautiful day - The crops are beginning to look nice. School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue kept the boys employed weeding the potatoes.

The Rev Principal finished his work in the store and started for Calgary en route to McLeod.

The Carpenters repaired some hay rakes today. The Farmers stacked their barley.

WEDNESDAY 22

(235-131)

Another very fine day. School and fatigue as usual. No school in the morning. Kept the bigger boys employed on the bank in gathering and piling branches for baking purposes. The smaller boys spent the forenoon weeding the pens. In the afternoon we had school. Second delivery made by the Hudson's Bay Co this morning. A shortage of 26 lbs found in soap - The pepper was found to be inferior to sample. Noah & Viper supplies under contract were delivered to day. There was a shortage of one knife - The stove pipe to be delivered by them did not come. Farmers cut a load of hay and drove it home - it is to be used for stuffing mattresses. Carpenter made a lot

August

THURSDAY 23

(236-130)

1888

A fine day - School and fatigue as usual to day. During fatigue the boys clean the turnips. Mail day to day - received a sample of moccassins to day - also a letter giving directions to make out a Voucher for balance of salary of the Assistant Principal. Heard from Father Claude that Amita-oko will bring two children here in a few days. Two Blackfeet called to day on their way home from the Piegan Reserve - they knew Lawrence Father - we had them to dinner - spoke about their children but to no effect.

Carpenter begins to make a stand for grindstone. Had a number of mattresses emptied and refilled today. Farmers cut - raked & rotted some weeds in the field on the hill & also repaired fence.

FRIDAY 24

(237-129)

Another fine day the wheat and oats is ripening fast - the grain crop will not be as good as was expected - School in the forenoon only - in the afternoon the boys were employed weeding in the turnip. The Assistant was occupied in the afternoon in making out receipts and writing letters.

The farmers continued their work as yesterday on the hill top spring fence - they were at school in afternoon. The Carpenter continued to make stand for grindstone.

Took all the boys this afternoon for a bathe - the water was warm -

SATURDAY 25

(238-128)

Very warm to day. The usual half days school - In the afternoon the boys were kept working in the field.

The butcher arrived in time for dinner. He brought 215 lbs Beef - the balance of lump sugar - also 100 lbs Hard tack, 28 lbs Candied Lemon, 107 lbs of raisins and 455 lbs of Beans. Sent letters to day to H.B. Co. informing them that the tea, pepper and stove Brady were inferior to sample and that there was 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs of a shortage on the soap.

Rev Father Leaue arrived about 5 o'clock bringing a box of samples with him - Farmers were casting manure to day. Carpenter doing repairs.

August

MONDAY 27

(240-126)

1888

A fine day - School this morning - The Rev Father Leduc held an examination of the classes this morning and in the afternoon gave the boys cong' - The farmer cut some oats today - The Carpenter boys attended school.

Received a letter per Mr. Beff about lumber - give us permission to buy from St. Walker of Calgary - and state at the same time that from three to four thousand ought to suffice us this year. We will have to make two trips to Calgary this week as the Rev. Sister St. Thomas leaves for Winnipeg on Wednesday - Farmer Auvi will go for lumber tomorrow - He will have to be here on Thursday to attend to his crop.

TUESDAY 28

(241-125)

A fine day - School and fatigue as usual - keep the boys at work weeding today - Mr. Auvi starts for Calgary to bring a load of lumber - His boys finish trapping what oats is cut and then attend school.

The Carpenter's boy attend school to day as they have nothing particular to do being out of lumber. The wheat I think will be ripe next week - The gophers are doing a lot of harm to our root crop. The assistant was engaged in writing letters in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY 29

(242-124)

Another fine day - School and fatigue as usual to day - Mr. Picard starts for Calgary with the Rev. Sisters St. Thomas & Cleary - Sister St. Thomas is en route to Winnipeg - Sister Cleary and the sister who is to replace Sister St. Thomas will return to morrow with Carpenter Picard - as a reward for good conduct I allow Solomon Callikos to go to Calgary with Mr. Picard. The boys were kept busy in weeding the corn and cabbages & in cleaning the garden. Mr. Auvi returns with the load of lumber this evening - Loop the boys for a bathe about four o'clock

August

THURSDAY 30

(243-123)

1888

Another fine day - School and fatigue as usual to day. Still weeding during fatigue. The farmers got some posts to day and put up the fence around the hay stacks.

Carpenter Picard returned with Sister Cleary and Sister Goffe in the forenoon. I made Lawrence clean up the shop in the forenoon. Solomon worked at bench for grindstone.

Mail day to day we did not have much mail. A letter from the Rev. Principal dated at McLeod informing me that at the presents of 25, Father & two Englishes were coming to see their children & that the Father of 25 should very likely take away this boy.

FRIDAY 31

(244-122)

Still beautiful weather - The usual number of hours school & fatigue. The grain crops are ripe all over the country now. The farmers cut and stacked their oats to day.

The Carpenters finish the stand for the grindstone and fix also a few other odds. Prepared & sent samples of the tea, pepper and stove brushes recently delivered by the Hudsons Bay Co. The assistant worked hard all day sending off receipts.

September

SATURDAY 1

(245-121)

Very hot weather - the nights are now beginning to get cold. The usual half days school and weekly wash. In the afternoon the boys worked in the potatoes.

The butcher came to day - but forgot to leave the invoice of goods.

Farmers cut some wheat to day and raked it in the afternoon.

Carpenters baked bread and fixed their pile of lumber.

Girls went to bathe about 2.30 p.m. and boys about 4.40. The water was nice and refreshing.

September

MONDAY 3

(247-119)

1888

Still very warm - within one degree of a frost last night. School and fatigue as usual. Returns for August sent yesterday by Rev Father Claude.

Farmers worked in the wash-house in the morning - in the afternoon they raked and cocked their wheat.

The Carpenters began to make a door for wash house. Solomon works in the shop during the forenoon and Lawrence in the afternoon. The well is beginning to run dry - we were obliged to carry water from the river for the washing to day. - Red cow called Bossey had a very small heifer calf on Saturday - its father is at the same time its brother -

TUESDAY 4

(248-118)

A nice fresh day - looked like rain in the afternoon. School and fatigue as usual this morning day. The boys are still kept weeding - in the potatoes & turnips. I noticed to day that the corn is beginning to fall off before it is ripe. The Carpenters work away at door for wash-house.

The farmers are cutting and stacking grain to day - they will begin fall plow half to morrow. It is about time the field on the hill was mowed now considering that this year has been cropped for the fourth time.

WEDNESDAY 5

(249-117)

Cold and cloudy morning - a little hail fell about nine o'clock - was very towards noon but looked very bad in the afternoon.

School and fatigue as usual to day.

The Carpenters finished making the door to day. The farmers were employed in stacking grain and cutting grain up the forenoon. In the afternoon it looked so threatening cold that they were afraid to venture up the hill - so all attended school in the afternoon.

I was obliged to punish several boys to day for idleness during fatigue - also James Balliboo & Severe for fighting when corrected.

September

THURSDAY 6

(250-116)

1888

A bad wind blowing all day - nevertheless it was pretty warm.

School and fatigue as usual to day - Heard from the Rev Father Claude to day - he was unable to say when he would be back - he asks me to write again about the lumber.

The Carpenters were employed in making a case for door to day.

The farmers finished making a door for cutting all the grain that was ripe. They also ploughed a little. I issued the rations for the month this afternoon and also made entries from store Return to Ledger.

FRIDAY 7

(251-115)

A few degrees of frost last night - just enough to kill the corn and pumpkins. It was exceedingly warm to day - school in the forenoon - in the afternoon the boys were employed in pulling out the corn that was frozen last night. It is not quite ripe - but I expect that we will be able to ripen some of it - the rest we will eat green.

The Carpenters baked to day and repaired some chairs.

The farmers ploughed a little more land in the forenoon - after dinner they worked at the corn.

SATURDAY 8

(252-114)

A nice warm day - a strong wind blew towards evening.

No school at all to day - the boys continued to pull out the corn and then went to work at pulling out the flax.

Rev Father Andre arrived from Calgary about 2 p.m. He is to officiate at Divine Service to morrow and returns to Calgary on Monday.

All took the usual weekly wash in the afternoon in charge of the matron. The water is now too cold for bathing.

September

MONDAY 10

(254-112)

1888

September

THURSDAY 13

(257-109)

1888

A nice day - The Rev. Principal returned from McLeod yesterday with three Piegan and one Blood boy. Five others that he had mustered escaped from him at McLeod - he had to come away with out them as he was afraid of losing the others. Mr Spruygett In. Ag. went to a lot of trouble to secure children for the school - making house to house visits through the Reserve.

Rev Father Andre left for Calgary today and the Rev Principal gave us confi-

Looks cloudy - rained and hailed in the afternoon for a short time. School and fatigue as usual. The boys were employed during fatigue in separating the corn and putting it to rope in the granary. All the farmers attended school in the forenoon - in the afternoon they worked at the corrals. The Carpenters finished door for hen house today and hung it.

Mail day - Nothing of any importance from Regina.

TUESDAY 11

(255-111)

FRIDAY 14

(258-108)

A big wind blowing all day. School and fatigue as usual - During fatigue the boys were employed in gathering corn and carting it in wheel barrows to the granary. Three of the new Blackfoot boys are well started. They can read and write short words and phrases. Charlie the wildest of the boys gave us a lot of trouble this afternoon - he got away and hid himself in the brush along the bank of the river - it took about an hour to find him. The Carpenters finished the window and sash for the hen house. The farmers were employed like the other boys in gathering corn.

A severe frost last night followed by a very warm day. School and fatigue as usual. In school the boys are doing fairly well. They are still employed during fatigue in separating the corn. The Farmers drew home some poles today - Mr Begg gave them permission to take the poles on his property. The Carpenters began to make a bakers box today - it will be used in winter and can be placed near the stove.

WEDNESDAY 12

(256-110)

SATURDAY 15

(259-107)

School and fatigue as usual - During fatigue the boys carry the corn from the field to the granary. The farmer cut the balance of his oats today his boys were employed with the others in gathering the corn.

The Carpenters baked today and began to make a door for the hen house. We will be obliged to finish the hen house with poles as we cannot spare lumber this year.

A beautiful day - School and fatigue as usual. The boys finished to separate the corn this morning and in the afternoon they began to pull out the carrots. The carrots are now all secured in the cellar.

All took the usual weekly wash in the afternoon in charge of the matron and then they played till supper time. The boys on the farm stacked the balance of oats and cocked what was raked by the hand. The Carpenters finished the bakers box.

September

MONDAY 17

(261-105)

1888

A fine day very warm. No school to day. The boys worked all day in taking out the potatoes. This work will very likely take all week. The Carpenters boys worked with him all day. They baked bread and squared a log for the beam of the hen house.

We had our first attempt at desertion yesterday. Lawrence Faber 25 did all he could to influence John Cotton, Alex Eli Gibbon & Joe Slattery to desert with him to Blackfoot Crossing. They absented themselves during dinner and after searching for a few hours we found them returning to the school. At night the boy tried to go away again. Wrote for authority to use police if necessary and asked for a policeman to put in an appearance at the school just for effect.

TUESDAY 18

(262-104)

An other fine day. No school - the boys worked away at the potatoes. The yield at both ends of the field is very good but poor in the middle.

Carpenters shortened a few wooden beds to day. Lawrence Faber works well but we have to keep a very strict watch over him - he is forbidden to speak with the new arrivals. John Cotton does not seem to care about him at all.

Corporal Pennefather arrived from Calgary today just before supper he will remain till to-morrow noon. He made a speech to the boys about deserting. It had a very good effect on most of them - but No 25 did not appear to mind it.

WEDNESDAY 19

(263-103)

Another very fine day - 6 degrees of frost last night - No school at all to day. The boys continue to take out the potatoes. Some were put in the cellar to day. I think by tomorrow that we will have a quantity sufficient for winter use stored away in the cellar.

The Carpenters square some logs for posts to support roof of hen house and put them in place.

Corporal Pennefather and the Rev Principal left for Calgary this afternoon. The Rev Principal took in some vegetables which he intends to exhibit at the Agricultural show.

September

THURSDAY 20

(264-102)

1888

Another fine day - no school to day - the boys still at work in getting out the potatoes. There is enough for winter use already in the cellar.

Yesterday the former sent the following exhibits to the Calgary show. Potatoes, two kinds, Cabbages, two kinds, Carrots 1 bushel Turnips 1 bundle, Turnips swede, Corn Marjolds and Pumpkins.

Mail day to day - nothing very particular cheques came for Martin Bros, Latimer and G. J. Jaques No 19702-5.

The Carpenters work all day at the roof of hen house - they finished laying on the poles.

FRIDAY 21

(265-101)

Another beautiful day. 6 degrees of frost last night. No school to day - the boys still continue to take up the potatoes. They began to put them in the root house to day.

The Carpenters baked bread to day and repaired a shelf.

The Rev Father Claude with Mr Elliquellon arrives from town about 5pm. Mr Elliquellon returns to-morrow with the butcher.

The Rev Principal brings some letters with him nothing of any consequence though.

SATURDAY 22

(266-100)

Cloudy in the morning but a beautiful afternoon. No school to day - the were employed in taking out the potatoes & carting them to root house.

The Carpenters prepared material for sash. Lawrence Faber & the two Englishs arrived about dinner time. They have come with the intention of taking their children home with them. The old grandmother of the Englishs says that she is getting too old to run for her horses etc and that she needs her children. Lawrence Faber's father thinks his son has been long enough at school. The children were let go as if they went on vacation for a few months -

September

MONDAY 24

(268-98)

1888

A fine day - 7 degrees of frost last night
No school to day. The boys finish to take out
the potatoes to day. All are not yet in though.
The Carpenters were engaged in making a sash
to day.

The Indians left yesterday taking their children
with them. They went away well pleased and two
of the children are to return. The Agent of the
Weigan reserve has been written to and asked
to use his influence with the parents to
Mr Springer called here last night to see if the Rev
Sister Cleary could do anything for him. He is
suffering terribly from dysentery.

TUESDAY 25

(269-97)

A nice warm day - only 3 degrees of frost last
night. The Farmer and his six boys left for
the Calgary show this morning.
The Carpenter and his boys baked bread to day
and performed some repairs in the cellar.
All the other boys were employed in the field
in picking up the small potatoes.
The Assistant & Principal worked all day
at the estimates for 1889-90.

WEDNESDAY 26

(270-96)

Another beautiful day. 5 degrees of frost
last night - no school to day.
The Carpenters put up a partition in root
house so that the potatoes and turnips can now
be kept separated.
The boys worked all morning in gathering
the small potatoes, and in the afternoon the
Rev Principal gave them soup.

September

THURSDAY 27

(271-95)

1888

Still beautiful weather 4 degrees of frost last
night
no school to day. The boys began to pull out
the turnips.
The Carpenters were employed in making a
double door for the bake house.
The Farmer and his boys returned from Cal-
gary in time for dinner - they secured 6 prizes -
3 first & 3 second. Six prizes out of 10 exhibits
is not bad and for two of these exhibits there was
no prize. After dinner all went to work in
the field pulling out the turnips.
The Assistant working away at estimates.

FRIDAY 28

(272-94)

Beautiful weather 5 degrees of frost last night
No school to day - the boys were all engaged in
pulling out the turnips and carting them to the
root house and cellar.
The Carpenters were employed in making a
gate.
The butcher arrived with 212 lbs of Beef to day.
The estimates for "89-90" were mailed by him.
The Rev Principal started to day for Calgary
on School business. Farmer Alvie brought
the mail from Calgary on Thursday, also a telegram
that we were not to receive any inferior lumber.
We had also a letter giving authority to purchase
a number of articles for which no contract was let.

SATURDAY 29

(273-93)

A very warm day - 5 degrees of frost last
night. No school to day - All the boys employed
on farm in pulling out turnips and carting them
to cellar and root house. The turnips are now
all out and stored away for winter.
Carpenters baked bread to day and did some
repairs.
Farmer caught the bull that was this morning
and put him in the stable.
The usual weekly wash for all the boys in
the afternoon.

October

MONDAY 1

(275-91)

1888

4

" degrees of frost last night - No school to day - all the boys continue to work in the field - they were employed today in pulling out the man yolds.

Next week we will be able to begin school again. The Rev Principal expects the threshing machine here next week.

The Carpenters boys were engaged in painting beds and doors and in repairing wheelbarrows.

The Assistant engaged in making out receipts for articles delivered by Hudson's Bay Co. and for soda biscuits delivered by J. G. Baker and Co. John Cotton's father and another Indian were here today and left this afternoon.

TUESDAY 2

(276-90)

7 degrees of frost last night - No school to day. The boys finished taking out the man yolds all are now in the root house we have about forty bushels. Turnips were also cut and threshed.

The Farmer began to break in the bull - he yoked him up with hreck.

The girls began to wash to day - it will be the boys turn to morrow.

The boys employed with the Carpenter baked today - also made steps for wash house prepared material for horse rack and sharpened his tools. The Assistant began to work at his returns.

WEDNESDAY 3

(277-89)

Very slight frost last night followed by a beautiful day. No school to day - some of the boys were employed in sorting the potatoes that were in the pits - carting the small ones to the pigs house for feed and the bigger ones to the cellar for immediate use. Others with the Farmer were engaged in pulling out cabbages and putting them in the cellar. Boys washed to day - Alex, Sol, George and Guillaume Louisson in forenoon. John Cotton, Guillaume John Leclerc and Tatatch in the afternoon. Two new Blackfoot boys arrived from theLeod this afternoon. Both have never a slight knowledge of English but were never at school. They were sent by the Rev Father Lacombe. Carpenters employed in fixing up inside of hen house.

October

THURSDAY 4

(278-88)

1888

6 degrees of frost last night - The new arrivals were washed and dressed and put at work right away today. No school to day - the boys were employed at the same work as yesterday that is sorting and carting potatoes and pulling out cabbages.

Mail day - Cheque in favor of Assistant as payment for difference in salary amounting to £ 219.00 came today otherwise nothing of importance.

A large number of boys were severely punished today for gross idleness in school, fatigues.

The Carpenters still fixing up inside of hen house. Mr Thompson brought 260 lbs of Bly for the butcher today. Four boys employed in threshing flax.

FRIDAY 5

(279-87)

Very little frost last night followed by intense heat today - the mercury rose to 95° in the shade. No school to day. The boys were employed in pulling out the parsnips and in collecting turnip and other tops to sell. All the beets and other garden stuff was also pulled out.

The Carpenters made some hen coops and the Assistant was busily employed in making out his returns.

The boys engaged in threshing flax finished today and the Farmer expects to have about 150 lbs to seed next year.

SATURDAY 6

(280-86)

A very warm day. No school - most of the boys employed in cleaning up around the building. Others in digging post holes around the cemetery and in front of hen house. The biggest ones with Farmer Auvé were employed all day in stacking some oats. In the afternoon I had some wood sawn and brought into the wash house.

The Carpenters baked bread to day - made an extra hen coop - put a new door in the hen house and cleaned up all the chips etc where they have been working for the last week.

The returns are now all finished and ready to be mailed to morrow.

October

MONDAY 8

(282-84)

1888

A fine day after a very windy night. Mr & Mrs Stewart stayed here overnight and started for Calgary this morning - they brought some ducks and hens as a present for the Sisters.

The Rev Principal left yesterday for Calgary en route to Blackfoot Crossing to consult the Indian Agent and chiefs about getting children for the school. School and fatigue as usual today. During fatigue the boys are employed in covering the hen house. The farmers also worked at this today.

The Carpenters finished the hen house and painted the door and window of same.

TUESDAY 9

(283-83)

4 degrees of frost last night followed by a very warm day. I heard from Mr Stewart ty day that the threshing machine is likely to be here any day now. School and fatigue today. Boys still employed in covering the hen house. Farmers cleared peas and also a little flax. Carpenters began to prepare material for stairs. The boys seem to be cold in the mornings now in a short time it will be necessary to give them the rest of their winter clothing. The Assistant worked a little at his books today.

WEDNESDAY 10

(284-82)

9 degrees of frost last night. A nice day very warm. School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys were employed in covering the hen house. The Carpenters baked bread and continued to prepare material for stairs. The farmers continue to cover the hen house with earth. The first instalment of coal arrived today - They brought four wagons on one train and three on another. The teamsters finished unloading about dark and camped here for the night.

October

THURSDAY 11

(285-81)

1888

10 degrees of frost last night. a warm day. The threshers arrived and camped at the stacks late last night. They came to the school in time for breakfast. No school in the forenoon as I had to see after the threshers. School in the afternoon.

Rev Principal arrived from Blackfoot Cross. ing about 2 o'clock with seven boys. Six of them seem rather big but we cannot do otherwise than give them a trial as they were anxious to come and we could not get any others. Charlie Bright father came this evening and we fear he intends taking his boy home. Lawrence Faber seems to be doing all he can to injure the school since he went home.

FRIDAY 12

(286-80)

10 degrees of frost last night - school this morning was close'd early as we had go and assist at extinguishing a prairie fire across the river near Mr Beggs place. We have had a very poor result from our grain coop only 230 bushels in all. This is a much poorer result than what we expected. The father of Charlie Bright left this morning taking his boy with him. At first he said the boy would return expecting that the boy would be well clothed - but as the trick was too apparent we gave the boy his own clothing, then the old man said that he would not come back. Before leaving he wanted to get the blankets etc of an other Payau boy and on being refused left in a rage. This is an other proof that we cannot depend on keeping boys who have their parents alive.

SATURDAY 13

(287-79)

A Warm day - 12 degrees of frost last night School and fatigue as usual. The farmer and his boys started early for Stewarts this morning in order to assist at threshing. Mr Beard took Francis Starkey and Arthur Davis to bake bread today, the three Carpenters worked in the shop making a few wooden beds.

During fatigue some of the other boys were engaged in pulling out the cabbages. H.B.C delivered coal oil today. The freighters also brought some coal. The boys had their usual weekly wash in charge of the matron about 3.30 pm.

October

MONDAY 15

(289-77)

1888

A fine day - 14 degrees of frost last night. School & fatigues as usual. During fatigues the boys were employed in carting sand on to the root house and in cleaning up around the stable.

Carpenters make ventilators for hen house and help farmers to clean the stove pipes.

John Cotton & Alan plough in the forenoon. In the afternoon Mr. Starkey & Francis Starkey plough.

Baptiste killed a young hen.

TUESDAY 16

(290-76)

Another fine day - a severe frost again last night.

School in the forenoon.

The farmers' boys were engaged in ploughing. The Carpenters fix double windows in around the house and work at beds.

Mr. L'Heureux comes from Blackfoot Crossing with some boys to see the school and leaves a little girl behind - daughter of Anna okos. The freighters come with a load of coal today. We have a holiday this afternoon and in the evening the Magic Lantern is shown.

WEDNESDAY 17

(291-75)

Snowed during the night and all day today. Come in honor of Mr. L'Heureux's visit. He stays all day.

Gablands goods are delivered today. The boys played well all day.

October

THURSDAY 18

(292-74)

1888

Very cloudy and cold all day but it did not snow.

School and fatigues as usual. During fatigues the boys worked at cleaning up and cutting wood.

Farmers were engaged in ploughing and carting manure.

The Carpenters baked bread and did some repairs around building.

James O'Keefe was appointed foreman for the winter.

All day today, Mr. L'Heureux leaves this morning taking two boys back with him. Leo Richards guardian asked Anna okos to take him away from the school & Francis Starkey left of his own account

FRIDAY 19

(293-73)

A nice day - the snow is rapidly disappearing.

School and fatigues. During fatigues the boys were employed in clearing up around buildings and carting manure on to the fields.

Farmers continued to plow.

Carpenters put up double windows around building and repair some benches.

The Butcher brought meat today - Mr. Grounce his partner accompanied him. Nothing new.

SATURDAY 20

(294-72)

Ten degrees of frost last night followed by a beautiful day.

The usual half days school and fatigues. During fatigues the boys continue to cart manure on to the field.

The farmers are still ploughing. The Carpenters bake today and also do some repairs in shed. In the afternoon they clean up in the shop.

All take the usual weekly wash in charge of the matron about 3.30 P.M.

October

MONDAY 22

(296-70)

1888

Another fine day. School and fatigue as usual. Winnipeg Jack arrived yesterday he leaves his boy here and negotiations are pending regarding a little girl. Jack is willing to leave the little one here but his wife is against it. Mr. Seward has offered \$500.00 for the girl and in the end compromised so that the girl would be left here for five years - he being her guardian. Papers were made out to this effect. Farmers continue to plough. Big Blane and an other Indian called yesterday and left two boys here - Augustin & Charlie Doyle. Carpenters work at repairs.

TUESDAY 23

(297-69)

A very bad disagreeable day - Raining and snowing all the time. School as usual to day. The weather was too inclement for the farmers to work outside. The carpenters baked today. Arthur Larivis and Alex Stevens began to work in the carpenters shop to day. Arthur Larivis goes in the forenoon with Solomon & Alex in afternoon with Guillaume. Joseph Louis a little Cree boy arrives from Calgary this morning.

WEDNESDAY 24

(298-68)

A fine day, the snow is rapidly disappearing - nearly all gone now. School and fatigue as usual to day. Arthur Larivis and Thomas Lacot were expelled this afternoon for going away when told not to and returning late for school. When they left Michael Fitzgerald & the two Doyles left with them. The freighters bring the last load of coal today. Carpenters work at beds to day. Mr. Alex. Beff dined here to day and returned to Calgary this afternoon.

October

THURSDAY 25

(299-67)

1888

A fine day - very cold last night on account of the heavy wind. School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys were employed in carrying coal and wood etc. Farmer starts for Calgary to get a load of lumber. Mary Picard's mother came here with some other Indians they were very reasonable. They behaved well. Carpenters were employed all day in preparing material for stairs. We did not receive our mail to day. Expert Beff has not returned from Calgary.

FRIDAY 26

(300-66)

A nice day - not very warm. School and fatigue as usual - During fatigue the boys are kept busy at different jobs. The mother of Mary Picard and some of her relations still here. Old Joe Slattery's family are here two and an uncle of John Cottons. rode across to Beff's this morning for our mail. The mail was there but Bannister could not give it to me as Beff had the key of the Bay in his pocket. The Carpenters baked today and prepared material for stairs.

SATURDAY 27

(301-65)

A fine day - 10 degrees of frost last night. As usual half day's school & fatigue. During fatigue had to cut wood - carry both coal and wood - haul water and to attend to the stock. A lot of Indians around all day - about 17 or 18 - relatives of the boys. Some relatives of the little "Anna okos" girl came to day also. Carpenters work at the stairs in the shop. Farmer returns from Calgary with a load of lumber. He took three days for the trip as he had to have his horses shod. It took the usual weekly wash in charge of the matron about 3-30 P.M.

October

MONDAY 29

(303-63)

1888

A very warm day - regular summer heat
School and fatigue as usual.
During fatigue the boys continue to ch op
wood carry coal wood & water.
The farmers were employed all day in bank
ing up the house.
Mr Picard did the same to his shop. His
boys baked also to day.
The Camp of Indians at Beaver head has been
increased by an other tepee
I went to Mr Stuarts this afternoon with
for post.
Assistant busy working at returns

TUESDAY 30

(304-62)

Another fine day.
School and fatigue as usual. The fatigue
is of the ordinary description for this time of
year.
Three new lodges joined the Indian Camp today.
Mr Lucker brought the first load of wood to day.
The wagon was loaned to day.
The Carpenters rip boards all day for fence
around chicken yard.
The farmer killed a pig and his boys worked
in root house picking over the potatoes.
I was indisposed to night.
Carpenter repaired window in cows stable.
The girls wash to day.

WEDNESDAY 31

(305-61)

A fine day but some twenty odd degrees of
frost last night.

School and fatigue as usual.

Joe Slattery & and father and family left
this morning. The Parents of Mary Picard
and Aunt of Agnes Keevin are still in
Camp - The latter and Mary's mother are
beginning to cause a lot of trouble. They want
to take the children back again. Father Claude
will not let them go unless the fathers come for
them. Farmers still banking up the house.
Carpenters Bake Bread
Assistant works at returns

November

THURSDAY 1

(306-60)

1888

Letter to due comes on a visit

a fine day - but cold last night - 22 degrees
of frost.
No school to day as it is a Church holy day.
Many shot at and twelve followed foot the
Camp to day - they come here for provisions
but are refused as there are too many parents
of children around who we have to feed.
The grandfather of Mary Picard comes to day
to try and get the girl back. He offers \$12.50
and a horse for her. He is refused and leaves
in a great rage. We will likely have to give
this girl up before long as keeping her here
against the will of the mother, although she gave
up her claim to the girl for five years, will have
a bad effect -

FRIDAY 2

(307-59)

Another warm day - although it was very cold
during the night 26 degrees of frost -
School and fatigue as usual - During
fatigue the boys dig postholes for hen yard
and do other work on the farm -
Carpenters prepare material for said yard.
Farmer left for Calgary in search of lumber.
Mary Picard's mother came again to day to try
take back her girl - Father Claude refused her
but said if her husband "Winnipeg Jack" wanted
to take away the girl and if he would return all
Picard his money he would let the girl go and
destroy all the papers. We sent a note by butcher
asking police to put in an appearance as we expect
to have trouble with the Aunt of little "Nunia okos" girl -
^{the money was returned and the papers con-}
^{stituting Mr Picard guardian} SATURDAY 3 ⁽³⁰⁸⁻⁵⁸⁾ were destroyed.

A fine day but cold in the morning. A good
the usual half days school and fatigue.
In the afternoon the majority of the boys were
kept employed on the bank breaking branches.
The Aunt of Agnes Keevin came and wanted
right or wrong to take the little girl away. She
called the father and sisters all sorts of names
and in the end it was necessary to put her out by
force. She howled on the outside of the door like
an old cow. Some of the big boys went to the tepees
this evening and I went to bring them back. Two police
men arrive from Crows. The Farmer Instructor
returns with lumber. Jack Wattam has his hair
cut.

November

MONDAY 5

(310-56)

1888

A warm day. 20 degrees of frost last night. The police visit the tipis this morning and tell the Indians who are troubling us that they have to leave. The three lodges they intend moving are those belonging to Laramie, & Old Eagle.

School ~~were~~ and fatigue as usual - During fatigue the boys employed in breaking branches, carrying coal, wood and attending to the stock. The Carpenters bake and work at the inside of shop.

The farmer put his boys to work in the root house picking over the turnips. The Police visited the camp again this afternoon. & got the Indians to move.

TUESDAY 6

(311-55)

Fine but cold and windy - 22 degrees of frost last night. The policemen after riding around a little start for Calgary. They take most of the returns with them. They have to call at a settler's house to settle some dispute between an Indian & the settler.

The Farmer starts for Calgary to get a load of lumber.

The Rev Principal gives us a holiday in honor of His Grace Bishop Grandin.

The boys go hunting for rabbits and game. We go to see Mr. Walker about bringing the wood etc.

WEDNESDAY 7

(312-54)

A fine day. 22 degrees of frost during the night. Threatening to snow in the morning but it cleared off about noon.

School and fatigue as usual - During fatigue the big boys break branches for the bakery and cart them to the school. Bakery

Mr. Beard and his boys begin to work at the fence around the hen yard.

The farmers were engaged in picking over the turnips - quite a few are rotten.

The farmer returns from Calgary with 1000 ft of rough lumber about 3-30 ft. long. One letter from Regina acknowledging the receipt of \$45⁰⁰ fees for Phelomene Hudson.

November

THURSDAY 8

(313-53)

1888

A fine day. 21 degrees of frost last night. School and fatigue as usual - Carpenters work a fence in front of hen house. Farmers are engaged in picking over the turnips. I expect that they will finish tomorrow.

During fatigue the big boys are employed in breaking branches and attending to the stock.

The returns were finished to day. Not one letter to day. Winnipeg Lack & Bear Crane came to supper this evening.

FRIDAY 9

(314-52)

10 degrees of frost last night - a very nice mild day. School and fatigue as usual. The bigger boys are employed during fatigue in breaking branches - the turnips have all been picked over & the root house cleaned - the boys on the farm were employed this afternoon in cleaning up around the stable. Winnipeg Lack wife & brother were here to day for dinner and started afterwards for Blackfoot Crossing. Dr. Lindsay arrived from Calgary about 2 P.M. Isidore is allowed to be up during the day now. The leg is to be kept extended during the night. The Doctor saw Gabriel McNeil and Agnes Keenan also. Farmer left for a load of lumber.

SATURDAY 10

(315-51)

A mild day - 22 degrees of frost last night. The usual half days school and fatigue this morning. Dr. Lindsay left for Calgary about 8 A.M.

Carpenters baked bread and worked at fence around hen house.

Farmers boys attended school to day.

During fatigue the most of the boys worked on the bank breaking branches for bakery - The small ones cleaned up inside the house and carried in wood & coal.

The farmers returned with a load of scatting. All boys took their usual weekly wash.

November

MONDAY 12

(317-49)

1888

The morning very cloudy and began to snow lightly about 10. A.M. School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys attended to the stock and drew some water.

Began to snow hard about dinner time. James O'Keefe's sister called to day besides 10 or twelve other Indians.

The farmer leaves this morning for Calgary. He is in search of a load of lumber. The boys with the Carpenter work at the yard for the hens and finished it this evening.

Snowing hard now -

TUESDAY 13

(318-48)

20 degrees of frost last night - very strong wind blowing all night - pretty cold all day. School and fatigue.

During fatigue the boys cut wood carried coal wool and water and attended to the stock. Carpenters baked bread today & worked at partition inside of shop.

Farmers attended school all day.

The thermometer dropped 10 below zero at work four o'clock and before 8 P.M. it reached thirteen.

Farmer got back with load of lumber about 8.15 P.M. reported the roads to be very heavy.

WEDNESDAY 14

(319-47)

Very cold - the thermometer registered 20 degrees below zero this morning.

School and fatigue as usual to day - the regular winter fatigue now. In all boy fix the bed and clean the dormitory. The big ones attend to the stock and carrying coal and wood etc.

School and fatigue attended by farmers all day.

Carpenter baked bread again today and worked at partition inside shop. Two Blackfeet Indians pass to day.

November

THURSDAY 15

(320-46)

1888

A fine day enough - 8 below zero last night. It thawed in the sun to day. School and fatigue as usual. Carpenter work at partition both up and down stairs.

In the afternoon the Rev Principal was presented with an address by both boys and girls. Christine Callihoo read that of the girls and Lemmy Callihoo read the one for the boys - after the address was read the Rev Principal gave them congé for the rest of day and all to-morrow. Beef got back with mail about 8. p.m. Only a few letters.

FRIDAY 16

(321-45)

Very fine in the middle of the day - 10 below last night. Congé for all day.

Was obliged to punish John Cotton, Alan M'Gibbon and James O'Keefe for making a disturbance in the dormitory and bullying the smallest boy in the house Joseph Louis. They were put in solitary confinement for the forenoon.

They boys played all day on the ice.

In the evening the little girls had a dance.

Butcher did not come to day as expected.

Beef delivered the sheep to day. Our best heifer calf seems to have hurt herself badly.

SATURDAY 17

(322-44)

Another nice day but cold during the night 16 below zero.

The usual half days school & fatigue. Alan M'Gibbon wanted to leave the school to day. He was put out because I broke his whip when I found him playing with his top during work hours. When he was refused - he pouted a good deal but seemed to be alright afterwards. Carpenter worked both on inside of shop and at the sheep shed. Farmers attended to stock and draw straw from top of hill. Butcher brings 737 lbs of Beef to day.

November

MONDAY 19

(324-42)

1888

A fine day enough - School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys carry coal wood and water. The farmers attend to their stock. Former Instructor started for Calgary this morning. Carpenter's work away at shed for sheep. Rev Father Claude resumes the Catechism class at 5 P.M. this day. The Stewarts cut the wood already delivered into ~~four~~ feet pieces. Alan Mc Gibbons mother & family arrive from MacLeod today.

TUESDAY 20

(325-41)

Another nice day - 10 below zero last night. School and fatigue as usual. The ordinary winter fatigue. Our number of boys was increased by one today. Alan Mc Gibbons brother was received. He is a big boy but as he was very anxious to enter the school we thought it best to give him a trial. His mother is to camp here for a long time with permission. Carpenters work away at the sheep shed the frame is now all up. Former Annie returns from Calgary with 1000 ft of setting for shed. He also brings some mail.

WEDNESDAY 21

(326-40)

Another fine day - 6 degrees below zero last night. School and fatigue as usual. The Rev. Principal starts for Calgary this morning. The Indians camped across the River paid us another visit to day. They have another boy who is a good size for the school and we must try to get him. Carpenter Picard and his boys work hard at the shed - they did a good bit of work today.

November

THURSDAY 22

(327-39)

1888

A nice warm day - the thermometer did not register more than 6 degrees above zero last night. School and fatigue as usual. Farmer Annie leaves for Calgary this morning with. The boys wash to day. John Cotton, Alan, Gabrial, Alex and Joel washed in the morning they were replaced by Solomon, Timmy, James Zack and F. LeTourneau in the afternoon. Carpenters finish the walls and the roof of shed this evening. Mr. Tucker draws a couple of loads of wood to day. Mail is delivered about 5.30 P.M. Dr Lindsay will be placed on pay list for December.

FRIDAY 23

(328-38)

A fine day - rather cloudy in the forenoon and looked like snow. Cleared off in afternoon. School & fatigue as usual. The Farmer returned from Calgary with a load of lumber. The Rev. Principal also returns from Calgary. Some freighters come also with two loads of flour. Stewarts sons saw wood all day. The Carpenters bake and finish the sheep shed.

SATURDAY 24

(329-37)

Another fine day - only 8 degrees of frost last night. School in the forenoon & the usual Saturday ap work after. A sort of chinook wind to day. Tucker brings some wood, the Stewarts continue to saw it. Farmer gets Begg to exchange some sheep. Begg has also promised to exchange the same. The Carpenter did not work to day - he was sick. Heavy shield with four flats another boy and girl in the school. The boy had his hair cut. Two policemen arrived - one hurt his arm - he fell from his horse.

November

MONDAY 26

(331-35)

1888

Very fine day - 12 degrees of frost last night.
School and fatigue as usual.
Commissioner Reed arrives here at noon -
every one is glad to see him. He makes inspection
of the school and shops and appears to be satis-
fied.
Mr. Beff brings a ram which is something
better than ours.
The policemen go around to see the settlers
and find everything quiet.
Josephine Callihoo serves our table.
The boys sing for Mr. Reed after supper.
Carpenters bake bread & begin double floor in
shop.

TUESDAY 27

(332-34)

Very fine - 7 degrees of frost last night
School and fatigue as usual.
Mr. Read paid a visit to shop this morning
and left afterwards for Calgary en route
to place load.
The policemen also start for Calgary.
The former leaves for Calgary at
9:30 a.m.
The Carpenter work at double floor in
shop.
Mr. Stewarts saws and cords wood.
I go to Stewarts in the afternoon to ask
them to come and measure wood as we wish
to use some of it.

WEDNESDAY 28

(333-33)

A regular summer day - no frost
last night.
School and fatigue as usual.
Stewart come and measure wood today
six cords were taken over.
We had practice for fire to day - both
in fore and afternoon.
Farmer returns with a load of dressed
boards.
Tucker brings a few loads of wood.
Carpenters bake bread and make doors
for Carpenter's bed room.

November

THURSDAY 29

(334-32)

1888

Another very fine day. 12 degrees of frost
last night.
School and fatigue as usual.
The farmers clean the room between stable
for the two policemen that we expect.
The Carpenters work pretty hard today and
finish the double floor in shop and the
casing around the stairs.
Mail carrier Regg was late again to day.
Stewart spent the whole day sawing -
splitting and corded wood.
The Assistant worked away at the return
of the horses.

FRIDAY 30

(335-31)

A nice mild day - scarcely any frost
last night.
The usual hours of school and fatigue.
The former starts for Calgary in search
of 1 ton of bran.
The Rev. Principal also starts for Calgary.
If Mr. Reed has agreed on the terms of his
payment with Mr. Croteau he will bring
him back with him.
Stewart & sons cut and corded wood.
Sister Cleary washed and prepared the
second room over the Carpenter's shop for
the Shoemaker that is expected.

December

SATURDAY 1

(336-30)

A nice warm day - only 6 degrees of
frost last night.
The usual half day school and
fatigue. The usual Saturday's work is
performed.
Rev. Father Claude returns from Calgary
with Mr. Croteau the shoe-maker. He is to have
\$50.00 for December - no further arrangements
have as yet been made.
Farmer returns with a load of bran.
The Principal brought some implements for
the Carpenter's shop.
Stewart & sons were engaged in cutting and
corded wood.

December

MONDAY 3

(338-28)

1888

Another fine day - just 8 degrees of frost last night. School and fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys also break and carry some branches. The farmers kill three pigs. The Carpenters work to prepare room for the shoe makers. The Rev. Principal reads the regulations for the employees after supper. About Nine P.M. the fire alarm was given. Every one was outside the house in three minutes. Mr. Tucker brings two loads of wood.

TUESDAY 4

(339-27)

A regular summer's day - 10 degrees of frost last night. School and fatigue as usual. The Carpenters bake bread and make a bench for the shoe maker. Mr. Croteau began his work today. Edward Arcan was employed with him in the morning and Louisson Dennehy in the afternoon. The Rev. Principal issues the ration today. Joseph Louis' mother came this evening to see her child. Alex Stevens had his hair cut.

WEDNESDAY 5

(340-26)

A really nice day - 20 degrees of frost last night. School and fatigue as usual. Carpenter continue to work at the bench for the shoe maker. Mr. Stewart & Sons were here again today sawing, splitting and cording wood. Mr. Tucker brought two loads of wood today. Little Joseph's mother is here still. The boys begin to serve the table for the first time regularly.

December

THURSDAY 6

(341-25)

1888

Snowed a little today - was not cold - continued threatening but did not snow. School and fatigue as usual. The farmer starts for Calgary in search of a load of bran - he takes the returns with him. Joseph Louis' mother leaves today. Carpenters begin to work at stamp for Letter Press. Mr. Croteau resets a sewing machine for his own use. A Cree comes to bring his children to school. He says that Bobtail band has obstinately refused to let their children come. This Indian is called "Frances".

FRIDAY 7

(342-24)

Fine weather again although it was very cloudy all night and looked very much like snow. School and fatigue as usual. School inspector Betourney came back to day about noon. He will begin his inspection on Monday. Farmer returned from Calgary with load of Bran. Alan began to work in the Carpenters shop to day. She is put there in the place of Guillaume who is too sick & weak for any work. The Carpenters bake bread to day.

SATURDAY 8

(343-23)

Heavy wind of a Chinook nature blowing all day. It was very soft under foot. No school to day as it is the feast of the Immaculate Conception. I worked for a short time at the books to day. Mr. Betourney takes a walk around for an hour or so and goes for a drive in the afternoon with Father Clapelle. The boys spend the day after divine service playing on the sled.

December

MONDAY 10

(345-21)

1888

A nice morning but down to zero in the afternoon. All the boys attended School in the forenoon for examination. Mr Betourney began his examination at 8.30 am, and finished with the boys about 3 p.m. He finished with the girls about 5 p.m.

In the afternoon Solomon & Severe attended at the shop.

All the boys worked at their usual fatigue. Assistant was engaged in writing some letters and making entries in ledger.

Carpenter baked bread today.

Farmers goes after wood.

TUESDAY 11

(346-20)

A nice day school & fatigue as usual. During fatigue the boys attend to the stock car & wood water evader etc. Carpenters work at partition around stairs of room over stables. Mr McC. Gibbon accompanied by Messrs Carruthers & Martin arrive about noon. They begin inspection right off. Farmer Auvin starts for Calgary in search of man. Mr Betourney will read the notes of examination to morrow.

WEDNESDAY 12

(347-19)

Another fine day. All the boys attend school for a while this morning. Mr Betourney reads his notes and passes some remarks to the boys on their conduct in general. Solomon gets the best marks and then Adore & George (ex equo) come second. Mr McC. Gibbon begins his inspection in dry goods store - he went right through the dry goods store today. I began to make an inventory of supplies received etc. There was no school in the afternoon.

December

THURSDAY 13

(348-18)

1888

Cold enough this morning - 14 degrees of frost last night. No school to day. Mr Betourney gives a holiday to the boys.

Father Claude arrives here to Okotoks to meet the stage there. He is en route to MacLeod.

I worked with Mr Inspector McC. Gibbon in the morning and in the afternoon make an inventory of the goods received under contract. Mr McC. Gibbon finishes in the store and in the shops. Rev Father Claude returning about 4 p.m. He brings our mail with him.

FRIDAY 14

(349-17)

A nice warm day - 16 degrees of frost last night.

No school in the forenoon. The Assistant and farmer assisted at the weighing of 150 bags of flour supplied by Requile Milling Co. There is a shortage on every bag. The farmers filled, aversed and cut up an ox. work on. Bright. The Carpenters worked at partition around stairs in the room between stables. Mr Inspector McC. Gibbon and Mr Carruthers spent the day in balancing up the Register. Two policeman arrive from Calgary.

SATURDAY 15

(350-16)

Nice day - 20 degrees of frost during the night. Mr McC. Gibbon writes his report and other statements.

School as usual in the forenoon. In the afternoon I kept the boys busy in cleaning up in the yard and around buildings.

I also do a little office work.

The Carpenters baked bread to day and work at partition in room between stables. All boys take the usual weekly wash etc.

December

MONDAY 17

(352-14)

1888

A little fresh this morning - looked a little like snow too.
Mr Inspector Mc Gibon and suite accom-
panied by the Rev. Principal en route for
Regina leave for Calgasy directly after
breakfast.

Inspector Mc Gibon goes to the Sarea
School as usual in the forenoon.
The Carpenters begin to prepare the pan-
elling for the girls school room.
In the afternoon I grant a holiday -
sent five boys to the wash house and
had them received by five others at 3 p.m.
every one played well in the afternoon.

TUESDAY 18

(353-13)

Cold enough this morning - almost
down to zero last night.
The boys wash again this day -
School and fatigue as usual -
I was too sick to stay with the boys
nevertheless I kept them in school
all day.
Clarrie Sherring complains that she can
not get the big boys to work in the
wash house.
Some of the boys write letters in
the afternoon.
I fell ill towards night after
having a good sleep in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY 19

(354-12)

A few degrees below zero. cold in the
morning.
School and fatigue as usual - Gabriel and
James Carry water all the forenoon.
The Carpenters worked away at panelling -
Solomon & Levere in the morning and
Alan & Alex in the afternoon.
The former attends to his stock.
The Shoemaker begins to put soles on the
boys moccasins.
During fatigue all the big boys cut wood
Carry coal etc.

December

THURSDAY 20

(355-11)

1888

17 degrees of frost last night followed by
a really beautiful day.
The boys begin to wash the school room
to day - the whole house will be washed in
the course of the next few days.

FRIDAY 21

(356-10)

SATURDAY 22

(357-9)

December

MONDAY 24

(359-7)

1888

December

THURSDAY 27

(362-4)

1888

TUESDAY 25

(360-6)

FRIDAY 28

(363-3)

WEDNESDAY 26

(361-5)

SATURDAY 29

(364-2)

December

MONDAY 31

(366)

1888

Indian Visitors

MEMORANDA

Names &c

Names &c.

- Otatoyi - No Pass
 White Dogs Bach No Pass
 "Bad Boy" Blood Pass
 5 Indians from Blackfoot Cross
 1 .. relative of Crowfoot
 1 Minnipe "Jack" pass
 1 Mukishimie otshinay - pass
 1 Sarcees pass
 1 Little Gift accompanied by
 2 others Pass.
 1 old Maxipita and
 7 others
 2 Sarcees going home
 2 Sarcees on their way home
 1 Blackfoot - came to see Cotton
 1 Blackfoot came after bed time - ^{very early}
 2 Blackfeet in search of food no pass
 7 ..
 2 Sarcees begging " " " " "
 5 Sarcees "
 2 Sarcees "
 2 Sarcees " Pass
 2 Sarcees going home.
 8 Sarcees from Blackfeet
 2 Blackfeet did not show any
 14 Sarcees " " "
 4 Sarcees " " "
 2 Blackfeet " " "
 1 Blackfoot Pass
 1 Rubning among buffalo
 2 women

MEMORANDA

Date.

CASH ACCOUNT—January.

Received.

Paid.

| Date. | CASH ACCOUNT—February. | Received. | Paid. | Date. | CASH ACCOUNT—March. | Received. | Paid. |
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