### Hannah Peters Jarvis (1763-1845) 1845 Diary

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# THE DIARY OF HANNAH DELVINA JARVIS, née PETERS 7<sup>th</sup> January to 9<sup>th</sup> September 1845

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Some introductory notes would seem helpful in understanding this rather complex diary

## Diarist – "H. J." – is Hannah Delvena Jarvis, née Peters: born 2 January 1762; died 20 September 1845

The diary gives a daily account of the final months of her life, closing only 11 days before her death. Written almost entirely in the third person, she refers to herself as "H. J."; there are only very infrequent entries in the first person, but sufficient to be certain the Hannah is the diarist. She describes the daily happenings of the family living at Willowbank, Queenston, as well as her rapid decline in health due to stomach cancer. She was clearly in full control of her mental capacity during these months, and was visited by numerous friends and relatives on a daily basis.

Hannah was the widow of William Jarvis, an important politician in Upper Canada during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. After military service William was exiled to England for several years, returning in 1792 when he was appointed the first Secretary and Registrar of the Records of the Province of Upper Canada, and was one of the senior politicians involved in the establishment of Toronto – then named York – as the capital of Upper Canada. He married Hannah Delvina Peters in London, England, on 12 December 1785; she was the daughter of Rev. Samuel Peters, a loyalist clergyman living in exile in England. At one time very wealthy, with extensive plots of land in York, William and his son Samuel Peters Jarvis squandered all the family money, and when William died on 13 August 1817 his widow Hannah was left virtually penniless, existing solely on her Government pension.

She spent the later part of her life at Willowbank in Queenston on the Niagara peninsula of Ontario. Willowbank was the family home of her daughter Hannah Owen Hamilton - "H. O." in the diary - who had married Alexander Hamilton on 25 January 1816. Alexander was the brother of George Hamilton, after whom the town of Hamilton, Ontario, is named. Alexander and Hannah Owen built the Greek revival mansion named Willowbank on the hill above the town of Queenston in 1834. Alexander, however, died on 19 February 1839 leaving his pregnant wife Hannah to raise their nine living children and the yet unborn one. It was here that Hannah Jarvis was instrumental in helping to bring up her numerous grandchildren. H. O. outlived her husband by 49 years, dying on 23 March 1888.

There are numerous different names in the diary and it may be helpful to readers if some of the family relationships are shown.

It also explains the frequency of some of the visiting families: Tench, Duff, Fitzgerald, Gilkinson – all of who married into the Hamilton families.

#### Children of William and Hannah Jarvis

born baptised died married

Samuel Peters 24 Jan. 1787 May 1792

Mary Lavinia 31 Dec. 1788 13 May 1826;2 Aug. 1811George Hamilton

(brother of Alexander) George Hamilton was Sheriff of Hamilton, Ontario (which he

founded) and had several children who feature in the diary.

Augusta Honoria 11 Oct. 1790 21 Mar. 1848 5 May 1812 Thomas McCormick

living at Niagara where Thomas was the Manager of the Bank of Upper Canada.

Samuel Peters "S. P. J." 15 Nov. 1792 6 Sep. 18571 Oct 1818

Mary Boyles Powell

William Munson "W. M. J." 12 Aug. 1795 6 Sep. 1795 6 Sep. 18672 Nov. 1826

Anne Racy

Hannah Owen "H. O." 25 Sep. 1797 22 Oct. 1797 28 Mar. 1888 25 Jan. 1816 Alexander

Hamilton

Ann Elizabeth 7 Aug. 1801 20 Feb. 1865 5 May 1822 William Benjamin

Robinson "W. B. R."

### <u>Children of Alexander and Hannah Owen Hamilton</u> (Hannah was daughter of William and Hannah Jarvis)

born baptised died married

Catharine Maria 23 Mar. 1817 27 May 1817 1887 12 Jan. 1847 Frederick Barton

Tench

Hannah Henderson 3 Nov. 1818

probably the "H. H." in the diary, although one source says that this Hannah died soon

after birth

Jessie Augusta 13 Mar. 1821 13 May 1821 24 Nov. 1842 Alexander

Duff

living in Amherstburg, where Alexander was a barrister; they had two children at the time of the diary: Jessie and 'wee' Augusta

Mary Jane 8 May 1825 25 July 1825 15 Aug. 1825

Elizabeth 8 June 1826 10 Sep. 1826 31 June 188215 Mar. 1855 John Thomas

Townsend

Helen 7 Dec. 1828 7 Sep. 1828 10 Jan. 1881 unmarried

Joseph Alexander 18 July 1830 28 Aug. 1830 20 Apr. 1889

William Jarvis 25 Apr. 1833 16 June 183316 Apr. 1881 1: 28 June 1865 Sarah Clark

2: 5 Sep. 1869 Margaret

Houston

Caroline Emily 4 Jan. 1835 1900 8 Jan. 1867

George Durand

Emma Harriett 18 Jun 31837 1909

Augustus Herbert Owen 21 Oct. 1839 23 Mar 1888 Sep. 1877

Kate Caroline McCallum

## <u>Children of George and Maria Lavinia Hamilton</u> (Maria was daughter of William and Hannah Jarvis)

this family lived in Hamilton, Ontario

born baptised died married

Robert Jarvis 18 May 1812 28 June 181210 Sep. 18921: 19 Nov. 1836 Catherine

Robertson

at the time of the diary, Robert and Catherine had children: William (b. 28 May 1836), Catharine Lavinia, Agnes Hannah (b. 20 Nov 1838),

Robert Henry, Jessie 2: 11 Apr 1851

Mary Jane Wright

 Catharine Hannah
 23 May 1814
 25 Sep 1815

 Samuel Askin
 10 May 1816
 17 Aug 1817

Maria Lavinia 15 Sep. 1818 4 Nov 1889 21 May 1840 William Harvey

Fitzgerald

at the time of the diary, William and Maria had children: Duncan (b. 31 May 1842), Harvey (b 25 Mar, 1844)

George 9 Feb 1822 5 May 1822 5 May 1841

Augusta Hannah 17 July 1824 28 Sep. 1827

Catharine 15 Mar. 1826 13 Jan. 1893 19 Sep 1843 Samuel Black

Freeman

at the time of the diary, Samuel and Catherine had child: George Ormand (b. 19 Sep.

1844)

Augusta Caroline 5 Dec. 1828 12 Nov. 1885 17 June 1857 Alfred

Boultbee

#### **Children of Thomas and Augusta McCormick**

this family lived in Niagara (-on-the-Lake, not Niagara Falls)

born baptised died married

Thomas Daniel 14 Feb. 1813 1 Aug. 1813 1855 Mary Jane Read

Charles William 30 Dec. 1814 after 1861 unmarried

sailor on whaling ships

Margaret Augusta 16 Nov. 1816 21 Jan. 1817 21 Feb. 1872 8 June 1837 James Fraser Hannah 28 Nov. 1818 30 Oct. 1836

Archibald Gilkison (Gilkinson in diary).

Mary Elizabeth 19 Oct. 1821 10 Jan. 1822 2 Oct. 1900 14 Jan. 1848 Jasper Tough Gilkison (brother of Archibald)

William 24 May 1823 23 Jul. 1823 25 Nov. 1835

Frances Isabella 6 Aug. 1825 2 Nov. 1825 1875 17 Sep. 1855William Griffin; died

1875

Samuel Jarvis 15 Apr. 1828 29 June 18283 Nov. 1899 24 Oct. 1856 Grace Beard

Carruthers

George Diehl 4 Oct. 1830 11 Dec. 1831 20 May 1916 1859 Barbara Wadell





Photograph of Willowbank – date not given on the websiteGravestone of Hannah Jarvis, http://willowbank.ca/wpdir/history/ Hamilton Family Cemetary, Willowbank, Queenston photo: T. Walker

This diary starts half way through 7 January 1845 – the earlier pages may be in an earlier diary. One top corner of the first page is missing. Most of the text is legible, but on occasions words cannot be read or have been cut off the margins on the on-line scans; where the missing words are obvious they have been entered in the transcription, but when this is not possible then \*\* is inserted.

Each page in the diary starts with the date in the top left corner, with the year, month and day clearly indicated; in this transcription each day is separated by a blank line, but where daily entries are on on more than one page then there separating line, but the new page is indicated by the page date format.

- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 7 returned to M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks we had some sausages \*\* soup Augusta gave us some salt–fish nearly dark [corner of page missing] reached Home Mrs J & T Stayner C Sinclair Mr \*\* Mrs Creighton came up to Mangle some Cloths Lewis Stayner Jane Hamilton W Duff David Boyd A. S. played a game or two of Back–gammon with Helen had some Gruel & went to bed–
  - 8 fine morn<sup>9</sup> clear and cold the cloths mangled H. J. could not account for a Dollar Jane Hamilton accounted for the Dollar H. O. & H. J. drove to Drummondville purchased a Keg of Butter 71<sup>lb</sup> at 1/ paid four dollars on it –p<sup>d</sup> for four lb fresh Butter at 1/ 2<sup>lb</sup> Cheese at 10<sup>c</sup> H. O. p<sup>d</sup> for Sattin and gloves one Dollar and a shilling returned Home Jane Hamilton & Miss Ross Miss Ross invited the girls to a party on the Tenth Jane & Eliza Hamilton came up to mangle their Cloths in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Cath<sup>n</sup> sick with
- 45 Jan<sup>9</sup> 8 a cold took salts and bathed her feet Eliza a bad \*\* Alx<sup>r</sup> Teaching the Children their Lessons Herberts \*\* very painful in the Night
  - 9<sup>th</sup> Fine clear morn<sup>g</sup> thawing Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Mill for 5 Bushels of Wheat sent by Williams to be \*\* for H. O not p<sup>d</sup> T Stayner –C Sinclair Jane Hamilton came and got a p<sup>r</sup> shoes from Cath<sup>n</sup> to go to M<sup>rs</sup> Rosses
  - Fine mild morn<sup>9</sup> Mary Hamilton came to beg a b[ottle of] vinegar & borrow a key to open a port–folio Jane came to fix the skirt of Cath<sup>ns</sup> Frock Mary Hamilton here John Stayner drove Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza in our Carriage to spend the ev<sup>9</sup> at M<sup>rs</sup> Rosses Cath<sup>n</sup> dressed in rose Pink silk Eliza in straw coloured silk they danced till four returned at five John Stayner slept here Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis asked to a large party at Wirms did not go
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 11 a cloudy morn<sup>g</sup> cold H. J. pealing apples Eliza gone down to Janes Mary Jane & Eliza Hamilton J & T Stayner C Sinclair W. Duff M<sup>r</sup> Tench came in at Eleven at Night slept here some snow in the Night
  - Sunday dull morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. Helen Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis going to Church after hurrying & being ready to get into the Carriage discovered that it was broken borrowed M<sup>r</sup> Stayners lumber Waggon & went to the Ev<sup>g</sup> service Letters from Amherstburgh H. O. returned about six M<sup>r</sup> Tench said that he heard that W. B. Robinson had gained his Election good J. Stayner W Duff Young Gale in a scrape under an Arrest likely to be broke the McLeods all at War about Miss Farren & M<sup>r</sup> Bently—
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 13 Snowing fast –Foster came to see H. O for school Tax H.O. gone down to see M<sup>c</sup>Mickan to see if he can get it taken off no relief it must be paid and how I know not no money in the House nor any coming in D<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Hall M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> and

- Sons he went on to Niagara She & Children remained all Night M<sup>r</sup> Tench stopped snowing about one O'Clock T Stayner Jane & Eliza Hamilton
- cloudy morn<sup>g</sup> T Stayner came to borrow two Buffalo skins James Seacord came after the school House Keys M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Elliot came to say he could not pt go Home to day – H. J. mended the easy-chair H.O. making the cover to sofa bought some a cup – \*\* J Hamilton Helen washed some sheets down at river Jane Hamilton & W Duff drank tea here J & T Stayner, C Sinclair spent the Ev<sup>g</sup> here Cath<sup>n</sup> had a letter from Mary Peter –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 15 another dull morn<sup>g</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Tench M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> came for Maria Robert & Catharine M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman came down Maria remained all Night with One Child. Mr Fitz<sup>d</sup> went home with Duncan –R<sup>t</sup> Cath<sup>n</sup> Freeman & Cathy & Child slept here two Miss Smiths Mary Jane & Eliza Hamilton J & T Stayner W Duff came in, in the Ev<sup>g</sup> they had a Quadrille or two Eliza and Helen went to sleep at Janes H. J. had a talk with Robert about his application to the Masons he promised to clear my Character before them as being neither a Lyeer or Imposture Heard that M<sup>r</sup> Robinson had gained his Election by a majority of four Hundred Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> brought a bag of Flour to H.O and back Muslin to make Cat<sup>n</sup> & Eliza a dress –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 16 snowing fast Robert Freeman &c R<sup>t</sup> & Freeman gave H. O. 12 Dollars to pay her school all went to Chippawa in R<sup>t</sup> sleigh snowing fast . Sinclair T Stayner W Duff Jarvis went over the River for Tea and to have Alx<sup>r</sup> B\*\* mended H. J picked a goose not fat Jane Hamilton -
  - snowing the girls scrubbing Williams drawing wood paid the Butcher his Bill of one Dollar & half and four cents due since 21<sup>st</sup> October Jane Hamilton H. O. & Catharine drove to Niagara took cup of Tea to Augusta to try if she liked it H. J. mending the gr\*\* Room Carpet Jarvis went over the River for Alx<sup>rs</sup> Bo\*\* and some Galeratus M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizer will make Cath<sup>ns</sup> Frock T Mewbuirn I. Stayner Jane Hamilton spent the Ev<sup>g</sup> here. Jane mangling & making up a padded petticoat –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 18 very fine morn<sup>g</sup> all going to washing finished at three Eliza the little W<sup>m</sup> Duff came up with the 12 Dollars from D<sup>r</sup> Hamilton to pay schoolhouse Tax Alx<sup>r</sup> went off for Fort Erie to bring Miss Kit Hamilton down Col<sup>l</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton went with him –

Robert – Catharine – Freeman – Cathy & child – Fitz<sup>d</sup> Maria & Duncan all came in to Tea – Fitz<sup>d</sup> &c returned to Chippawa – the rest stayed all Night – C Sinclair – T Mewburn – Jane & Julia Hamilton spent the Ev<sup>g</sup> here –

R<sup>t</sup> & Freeman complaining of a bad Cold – Cathy found half of a Needle in her Baby's Foot, and pulled it out – the poor child cryed very much –

- H.O. payed Foster the school Tax 12 Dollars.
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 19 Sunday all gone to Niagara Church C. Sinclair came with a double sleigh and took Catharine & Eliza down H. O. & Jarvis went with Robert R<sup>t</sup> & Freeman have sore throats H. J. & Helen busy cleaning up the Breakfast things & preparing Dinner H. J. made two Puddings H. O. Jarvis R<sup>t</sup> Cat<sup>hn</sup> Freeman Cathy and child dined at M°Cormicks Catharine & Eliza came home to Dinner Alx<sup>r</sup> brought Miss Cath<sup>n</sup> (James) from Fort Erie also old R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton and a Keg of Butter all the Dinner Party returned to Tea part went to Janes to Tea Old R<sup>t</sup> Jane Kit & Julia came after Tea M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton T Mewburn C. Sinclair & W Duff T Stayner R<sup>t</sup> & Freeman have sore throats Edmund Tench –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 20 a dull morn<sup>g</sup> R<sup>t</sup> and his party set out for Hamilton took Jane Kit and big Eliza with them started at Eleven beautiful sleighing Cathy left an Ripping Pin for Maria –

All busy cleaning up the house after they were gone – M<sup>r</sup> Tench drank Tea here – Julia Hamilton – J. Stayner – T. Mewburn –

Letters from Amhertsburgh –some snow – H. J. made mits for Jarvis – and a Bolster –

- 21 cloudy morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. & Catharine gone to Niagara Cath<sup>n</sup> got her gown from M<sup>rs</sup>
  Fraizer called for Julia Ross who was not ready to come M<sup>r</sup> Tench C Sinclair T
  Mewburn W Duff H. J. made three pillow Socks H. O. & Cath<sup>n</sup> busy finishing
  Cath<sup>ns</sup> things & E<sup>a</sup> H<sup>n</sup> packing her things –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 22 Catharine & H. O. up at four preparing Breakfast for Cathn to go to Hamilton Cath<sup>n</sup> went down and called Eliza H<sup>n</sup> & Julia Ross at \*\* at Eight M<sup>r</sup> C Sinclair drove up for Cath<sup>n</sup> & took her & carpetbag down for Eliza H and Julia Ross H. J. picked two Fowls also three Barrels of Apples filled a bolster with Feathers alone this night 3<sup>lb</sup> sausages
  - 23 fine morn<sup>g</sup> snow in the afternoon Caroline slept with Julia Mary Hamilton Old R<sup>t</sup> came and took up our Buckits out of the Well Mary once more spent the Ev<sup>g</sup> alone H. O. & Helen went to see M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Alx<sup>r</sup> drove Mary Hamilton & Children to Stamford & back again Caroline slept with Julia –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 24 Rain & snow all day H. J. picking Feathers Mary Hamilton helping she dined here filled one Pillow an other Ev<sup>g</sup> alone W Duff made a seisure of <del>Tea</del> Tobacco & bottles of Whisky M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken came home about one in the Morn<sup>g</sup> found his house surrounded by a set of Irishmen intending to retake the Whisky He fired a Pistol which brought the soldiers and Dispersed the Irishmen T Stayner shot a Deer which he & Party brought home caught our Cisterns nearly full of water an III wind that blows no one good finished the Feathers and filled three Pillows Caroline slept with Julia H<sup>n</sup> Emma went down to see Julia Old Bob sent her Home because she laughed Emma much affronted
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 25 Very cold H. J. sewed up the Pillows cleaned Knives & Candlesticks fed the Poultry Boys went to Williams for Hay

  Helen sick Williams brought half a Tun of Hay Catharine returned at ten at Night from Hamilton a beautiful Night Drank Tea with M<sup>rs</sup> Mills much pleased with her visit at Hamilton
  - 26 Sunday a fine morn<sup>g</sup> Helen better H.O. H.J. Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis went to Niagara Ev<sup>g</sup> Church called at M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks & Rosses M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton C Sinclair M<sup>r</sup> Cox borrowed the Carriage Whipple-trees for Mr Fitz<sup>d</sup> to go to Hamilton W Duff Letters from Amherstburgh
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 26 The two Miss Smiths drank Tea here a beautiful moonlight Night went to bed at Ten O'Clock
  - 27 fine morn<sup>g</sup> Helen sick Caroline & Emma went to the Post Office to ask D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn to come & see Helen. C. Sinclair borrowed the Buffalo-skins called at D<sup>r</sup> Mewburns and left word for him to come down J. Stayner drank Tea here Old R<sup>t</sup> H<sup>n</sup> brought Home sick had an opperation performed on his Eyes was sad about not being able to see Eliza wrote for Jane to return immediately Catharine wrote to her sister Eliza inclosing a letter from Hannah and an other to Kit from London Night very dark –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 28 Rain in the morn<sup>g</sup> D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn came to see Helen accounts reached this
   Place last night, that the great Iron steamer had arrived at New York C. Sinclair

- walked down the hill with Catharine to see her Uncle whom she found no better raining and very wet Anne Washing –
- 29 mild windy Ann washing hanging out the Clothes got them nearly dry snowing a little M<sup>r</sup> Tench slept here H. J. folding Clothes M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Pherson offered to give H. O. skimmed Milk for nothing got two quarts this Night first time Boys brought Home two Cocks killed that were at M<sup>c</sup>Phersons Helen had the Fever all day
- 30 morn<sup>g</sup> clear & Cold H. J. picked two Cocks H. O. & Catharine starching and Ironing –
- 45 Jan<sup>y</sup> 30 Dr Mewburn called to see Helen ordered her to take as much Quinine as she could bear C Sinclair T. Stayner M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Pherson took R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton to Niagara to have his eyes burned brought him back and H.O.<sup>s</sup> Watch Mary Hamilton dined here H.O. C<sup>tn</sup> and Boys Mangling did not finish Boys went over the River for Tea
  - a heavy Snow-storm lasted a short time appearance of more very cold stoves smoking our eyes nearly oat with the smoke Helen sick Mr F Tench dined here Mr Creighton T Stayner Mary and Julia Hamilton came up to Mangle H. O. & Catharine finished our Mangling H. J. sorted the Clothes and mended a part of them took some ginger Tea and went to bed early so did the rest Milk from McPhersons Night and Morng
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 1 Very cold morn<sup>g</sup> a little snow Alx<sup>r</sup> took the Pony to have his shoes sharpened could not be done till twelve O'Clock a letter from Eliza Catharine Robert had an other gathering in her Throat and broke Helen better to day H. O & Catharine drove out to M<sup>rs</sup> Tenches and walked back Boys went on to St Davis and had the Pony shod Foster not choosing to shoe him saved two shillings, from his refusal Miss Henrietta Jones & Alx<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken J & T Stayner C Sinclair W<sup>m</sup> Duff M<sup>r</sup> Peal sent here for M<sup>r</sup> Fr<sup>k</sup> Tench M<sup>rs</sup> Tench sent Peter a small pot of jelly
  - 2<sup>d</sup> Sunday, very cold fed the Poultry on shoots and Apples N. J. read the service Jarvis and Caroline attended M<sup>r</sup> FitzGerald called and offered to do any thing at Hamilton for us as he was going there on Tuesday with Maria promised to send shade down to take the stovepipe
- 45 Feby 2down on Tuesday Catharine walked down to see her Uncle Robert With Duff F
   & W Tench J & T Stayner Mary and Julia Hamilton Ch<sup>s</sup> Sinclair T Mewburn M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Sanders
  - 3<sup>d</sup> Cold morn<sup>g</sup> cloudy Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to St Catharines for Bran H. O. & Catharine washing finished & hung out H. O. & Catharine went down to see R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton Catharine went to M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Mickens J Stayner W<sup>m</sup> Duff heavy fall of snow during the Night Alx<sup>r</sup> returned at five with 400<sup>wt</sup> of Bran
  - 4 Snowing fast cold H. O. & Cath<sup>n</sup> bringing in the Clothes Heard that old M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick had fallen down up at M<sup>rs</sup> Streets and dislocated her Hip and was not able to be moved Mary M<sup>c</sup>Cormick went up to her –
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 4 snowing fast cold Worthy Duff sent for to drive H. O. & Cath<sup>n</sup> to the Falls his Uncle sick could not go Mangling & Ironing done H. O. & H. J. made the boys each two pairs of Mitts W Duff called H. O. sent the easy chair to M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton His Eyes no better
  - Shrove Tuesday no Pancakes no Eggs Letters from Jesses & Hannah -
  - 5 Ash Wednesday snowing fast high wind the snow drifting much very cold the storm continued till five in the morn<sup>g</sup> extremely cold the Water froze in H. J.

Room for the first time since she occupied it in seven years – the Heiffer lost her Calf – it came before its time two months – found dead in the morn<sup>g</sup> – Alx<sup>r</sup> sick with sore throat – Helen sick – Jarvis's Feet very sore –

- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 6 morn<sup>g</sup> fair extremely cold everything frozen in the Kitchen Helen in Bed with head ache Boys sawing wood soldiers refusing to come it being so cold Alx<sup>rs</sup> throat very bad Jarvis's Feet very sore with Chilblains Catharine waided through the snow to go & see her Uncle Robert H<sup>n</sup> she was nearly up to her hips in the snow His eyes better his mouth very sore Ice running in quantities Road Masters turning the People out to cut a Road through the snow Western Mail did not come in for three days Mail sleigh anchoars coming from St Catharines Horse carrying Mail got caught in a snow drift and broke his neck
  - 7 fine clear morn<sup>9</sup> the Sun came out to cheer us up through the intense cold most welcome was his appearance the River choked up with Ice, at Field–point for a short time no crossing the River for three day H. O. went down to see at Hamilton he had just returned from Niagara where he has been to have his eyes burned the roads very bad T Stayner C Sinclair
- fine morn<sup>g</sup> clear & cold more mild during the Day M<sup>r</sup> Tench, C Sinclair T Stayner Julia Hamilton H. O. Catharine & Alx<sup>r</sup> drove to the Falls to see old M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick did not return till Nine O'Clock when M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Sanders was so kind as to walk before the horse from Stamford to keep him in the Road it being very dark and the snow drifts very deep M<sup>r</sup> Sanders slept here H. J. very uneasy at H. O. being so late on account of the deep snow R<sup>t</sup> Hamiltons eyes gave him great pain during last night Eliza & Julia sat up to wet the cloths for his Eyes Much Ice running all Day –
- 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday snowing lightly past ten before we had Breakfasted— Alx<sup>r</sup> drove H. O. & H. J to the Falls set M<sup>r</sup> Sanders down at D<sup>r</sup> Mewburns Miss Mewburn a little
  45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 9 better M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick no better dined at M<sup>r</sup> Streets returned before dark the Road not well beaten going very crooked thro' Fields and dug through snow Drifts and along the Fences on our return they were better broken M<sup>rs</sup> T. & J. Stayner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton C. Sinclair W Duff Eliza Hamilton J. Stayner & W Duff drank Tea here A Letter from Mr Hanry with an account of 8/ C<sup>y</sup> A letter from Eliza saying she wished to get Home but could not prevail on Robert to being her down Helen passed a bad Night Fever did not quit her till Eight next ev<sup>g</sup> –
- 10 fine morn<sup>g</sup> not so cold as it has been quite mild in the afternoon Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Williams for straw & Chaff no school in the afternoon Catharine walked
   45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 10 to see her Uncle J. Stayner walked back with her Helen Cough troubled her all night her Head ached very bad all night -
  - dull morn<sup>g</sup> soft weather Falls roaring –
     Williams brought half a Tun of Hay Soldiers Cutting Wood Helen very weak
     – Head-aching much M<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>rs</sup> John Powell Catharine & little Eliza went up to
     see Miss Mewburn J. Stayner drove Pony M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton
     spent the Ev<sup>g</sup> here Helen missed her Fever had a slight Perspiration on her We
     are in hopes that the Fever is about leaving her M<sup>rs</sup> Augusta M<sup>c</sup>Cormick and
     Augusta Fraizor called on their way from the Falls.
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 11 H.O. gave Augusta a recipe to get some Midicine for Helen snow going away rapidly A meeting at the school house to petition for Money to finish it to be paid by subscription of the inhabitants in three years –

12 – Cloudy dull mor<sup>ng</sup> appearance of Rain – very mild – rain & snow in the morn<sup>g</sup> – D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn – Alx<sup>r</sup> going to Niagara for Medicine for Helen – Helen missed her Fever last night –

Alx<sup>r</sup> brought home some Hawthorn as Oil and some Pills – Augusta sent up some Blister Salve and blue Pills for Helen – W Duff – J & T Stayner – Letter from Amherstburgh – Helen no Fever this Night – Edmund & W. Tench – H. J. played Back-gammon with Ed<sup>d</sup> Tench – H. J. suffering with pain in her Back

- Fine morn<sup>g</sup> cold Transit came from Toronto to Niagara Ice running in the mor<sup>ng</sup> and Ev<sup>g</sup> J. & T Stayner Julia Hamilton drank tea here Cathn went at Eight O'Clock with Julia to see her Uncle J. Stayner
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 13 walked up with her Valentines poared into the Post Office by dozens ready for the morrow T & J. Stayner had their share some abusive some complimentary some impertinent according to the Whim of the Writers H. J. made a pr Mits for Caroline & mended Socks
  - Dull morn<sup>g</sup> cold Hail & Rain Transit came up to Queenston Helen missed her Fever last night H. J mending stockings Mr Peal drove Miss Wadsworths to Clifton House to a Ball Rain and froze as it fell all a glare Ice Eliza here Mangling Letter from Eliza saying she should be Home on the fifteenth Col Robert Hamilton called to assertain if H. O had received payment from the school directors by desire of the Auditor Mr Ross very kind of them J Stayner W Duff Mr Tench slept here –
- 45 Feb 15 Rain all day drisling not steady Snow nearly gone except for Drifts Robert and Catharine Freeman Wife and Child Fitzgerald Wife and two Children and Servant Jane & Kit Hamilton & Eliza Augusta the Wee one Dan Gilkison Joseph Hamilton Mr Bigalow all arrived from Hamilton Cathy Freeman Augusta Kit Hamilton Maria Children & Servant slept here Cath<sup>n</sup> Rt slept at Janes the gentlemen went to the Inn and drank Tea with Jane –

M<sup>r</sup> Tench came and put in a pane of glass – the Party much fatigued J Stayner – Maria gave three Calico Frocks to Caroline & Emma – Transit left Queenston for Niagara & Toronto –

- 16 Sunday beautiful morn<sup>9</sup>. R<sup>t</sup> drove Fitz<sup>d</sup> Home took Kit on to Fort Erie and crossed to Buffaloe with an Daggshew Freeman drive his Wife and Child & Augusta Joseph drove Cath<sup>n</sup> Robert to Hamilton The Gentlemen Breakfasted with Jane the Ladies with H. O. M<sup>r</sup> Tench drew up some of the Piano Strings
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 16 M<sup>r</sup> Sinclair the after part of the Day cloudy H. J. a bad cold, and pain in the Back and quite sick the Boys went to Guernsays – & D Gilkinson went to Buffaloe – W. Duff – the Family went to bed early–
  - 17 Cloudy morn<sup>9</sup> attempt to snow H. J sick H. J. mended two shirts J Stayner C. Sinclair H. J. went to Bed very sick H. O. very sick with pain in the stomach
  - 18 Cloudy H. O & Catharine & Eliza washing H. J did not get up till past twelve past a very restless Night Catharine drove Jane & Julia Hamilton to Niagara left Julia at M<sup>rs</sup> Rosses Augusta sent a q<sup>tr</sup> of Mutton a piece of corned Beef and some salt Fish H.J received
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 18 a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick notifying her that he had Ten pounds ten shillings in his Hands which he would pay when she called for it a God send at this time
   The Transit came over from Toronto to Queenston T. J and M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner C.
   Sinclair Jane & Eliza Hamilton came up to Mangle, went away early Family all went to Bed Early H. J. very sick H. O. had pain in her stomach and sick Washing

left out all Night – found safe in the morng – M<sup>rs</sup> Guernsays – Flower q<sup>r</sup> hundred – from Williams –

- 19 Beautiful morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. better Helen sick
  - Transit went over to Toronto washing finished half the clothes had to be rinced over D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn John Shade taking down the wall stove Pipes and putting them up the black-smith mended the Plate of the Stove killed five Fowls that strayed over to M<sup>c</sup>Phersons D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn recommended H. J. to take a table spoonful of Rum the same of Honey and Water hot going to bed and with a Flannel in spirits of Tirpintine and place it on her Back
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 19 which was done and it kept her awake for Hours the smarting & itching was so violent Augusta M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent H. J. a white Fish a great treat H. J. ate some of it & kept it down but it made her uncomfortable for as long time she had to undo all her Clothes R<sup>t</sup> J Hamilton & Dan Gilkinson called on their way to Hamilton R<sup>t</sup> took Miss Ann Racey & M<sup>r</sup> Bigalow in his sleigh bare ground about here hope he will find snow as he proceeds Transit nine at Night before Shade had finished the stove Pipes M<sup>r</sup> Tench slept here
  - 20 some sun shine clouded up at one H. J kept her Bed till 12 O'Clock felt better Baking Arm scrubbing after the Stove pipes being put up Catharine a pain in her stomach & Back Helen a bad Head-ache H. J. very unwell M<sup>r</sup> Tench slept here T & J Stayner & Mother C Sinclair W Duff Jane & Julia Hamilton
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 21 A Fine morn<sup>g</sup> H J taken with a pain in her stomach, rather the side thought it Pleurisy H. O. applied hot spirits of Turpintine called Alx<sup>r</sup> up and sent him for D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn who sick in Bed but was so kind as to send a Blister to be applied and requested us to send for some other D<sup>r</sup> it being doubtful if he could come down Alx<sup>r</sup> was sent off to Niagara M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent D<sup>r</sup> Low and came up herself with Alx<sup>r</sup> and stayed till Sunday morn<sup>g</sup> J Stayner C-Sinclair W Duff Heavy Rain in the Night which filled our Cisterns a timely supply H. J received Relief from the Blister Alx<sup>r</sup> sent to Niagara the second time for Medicine M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick brough up a piece of Salt Beef some Candles sugar & two white Fish Alx<sup>r</sup> very tired –
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 21 A Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Truman H. J. kept her Bed all this day M<sup>rs</sup> Guernsay M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken Stayner & Creighton went to enquire after H. J.
  - 22 A fine morn<sup>9</sup> H. J freed from the pain in her side her Cough very hard and Dry kept her Bed all this day T & J Stayner Sinclair W Duff the Rain broke up the Roads and carried off all the snow except the heavy drifts high wind in the Night a hot Sun thawed much
  - 23 Sunday a fine mor<sup>ng</sup> Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to drive M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick to Niagara returned at dark found the Roads much better than he expected brought on other bottle of Cough mixture for H J M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken sat here an Hour J & T Stayner W Duff C Sinclair M<sup>r</sup> Tench Letters from H H H & Jessie H. O wrote to Cathy
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 24 A fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza washing finished at three Cath<sup>n</sup> very tired Alx<sup>r</sup> drove Cath<sup>n</sup> out to M<sup>rs</sup> Tenches took Jarvis & and Herbert on to St Davids got the Waggon mended and returned about seven No school this day Alx<sup>r</sup> drove to Williams for Flour it had not come from the Mill Alx<sup>r</sup> brought a load of Straw Borrowed a pail of Flour of Jane to set the yeast J & T Stayner C Sinclair Clothes left out all Night H. O. wrote to H H H & Jessie Transit came over Ice running D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn called to see H. J. said he was still very sick

- 25 A beautiful morn<sup>g</sup> Transit went to Toronto no Ice to day quite warm Girls rinsing over Cloths that fell during Ironing Baking Jane & Eliza came up to Mangle C. Sinclair J. Stayner W Duff were turning the Mangle most kind of them Letter of Enquiry from M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> –
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 26 A fine mor<sup>ng</sup> cloudy at about twelve H. J. slept very well had the night Mare several Times thirsty during the Night ate some Fish threw it up & began again with better success bought some Beef paid John Shade for taking down & putting up Stove Pipes H. O. replied to Fitz<sup>ds</sup> Note Boys went to Williams for the Flour brought a part of ten Baskets of Wheat –

A Letter from H H H to Cath<sup>n</sup> – Children gone to post Office – appearance of rain – Ice running in the afternoon in abundance – T & J. Stayner – C Sinclair M<sup>r</sup> Tench – Mary Hamilton – H. J. breaths much better cough still troublesome –She very Weak – slept tolerable

- A fine morn<sup>9</sup> sunshine no Wind mild Ice running. Air chilling from the Ice Letters from H H H & Jessie H. J. sat up in an easy chair for some time something better –
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 27 Cough Troublesome Transit came over from Toronto Jane & Eliza spent the afternoon here Jane drank Tea here the two Eliza's went down to Roberts to Tea T & J Stayner drank Tea here C Sinclair went over the River and brought over two pounds of Tea for H. O. Louisa Stayner came to play with Caroline & Emma lce running most of the day snowing fast at ten O'Clock at Night turned cold Helen missed her Fever and walked out before the Door
  - 28 Cloudy mor<sup>ng</sup> cold no appearance of the snow which fell last Night Transit went over to Toronto Ice running H. J. slept tolerable well her Cough troublesome Sheriff James Hamilton and Lady sent a Letter from Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> to Jane from Chippawa on their way to Fort Erie uncertain if they return by Queenston M<sup>rs</sup> C Seacord M<sup>r</sup> Tench C. Sinclair M<sup>rs</sup> J & T Stayner came to Mangle M<sup>rs</sup> & Miss Guernsey a Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman H. J. slept very well Disturbed Fever
- 45 Feb<sup>y</sup> 28 in the Night very Hoarse in the Ev<sup>g</sup> continued so all Night Froze hand during the Night
- March 1 Lovely morn<sup>g</sup> sun shine mild D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn M<sup>r</sup> Tench H. O Helen Alex<sup>r</sup> & Herbert going to Niagara received of M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick on my account of H. S. \$31 & H. O. spent eight Dollars as will be found in Account book for March 1<sup>st</sup> 1845 H.O. saw D<sup>r</sup> Low he ordered some Medicine for H. J. saw M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks Family all well M<sup>r</sup> Tench Jane & Eliza M<sup>r</sup> Mewburn Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza went down to Jane's & M<sup>c</sup>Micken. Rain in the Night

H. J. slept very well – no very severe fits of Coughing – H. O. scalded her Hands very badly by moving a pot of hot Water in the Stove – Augusta M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> gave some Candles to H. O. they did not return till Sun Ev<sup>g</sup> –

- Sunday Rain in the morn<sup>g</sup> cleared up before ten remained cloudy during the Day C Sinclair W Duff & M<sup>r</sup> Tench Sheriff Lady & Daughter arrived from Fort Erie
- 45 March 2 dined at M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton's down the Hill H. J ate some Oysters with Pepper & Vinegar by order of D<sup>r</sup> Low the Day very warm H. O. read the service to H. J.– M<sup>rs</sup> & Miss Sheriff Hamilton Jane C Sinclair T Mewburn W Duff drank Tea here R<sup>t</sup> & Sheriff Hamilton J Stayner Miss James Hamilton slept here H. J. slept well cough Only once severely Rain all Night H. J. took Oil which did not opporate till morn<sup>g</sup> –

- Rain and snow in the morn<sup>9</sup> cleared off Sheriff Hamilton Lady and Daughter left Queenston for London H. O. bought Beef in expectation of the Sheriff and Family dining with her Transit began her Trips of every other day from Toronto to Queenston George Jarvis called for a few minutes to see H. J. M<sup>rs</sup> A<sup>ta</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in the Transit and stayed all Night brought some mince Pies to H. J. M<sup>r</sup> Sinclair W Duff Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick Jane & Eliza took a walk on the Beach –
- 45 March 3 M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick called on M<sup>rs</sup> Michon News reached us that M<sup>rs</sup> Joseph Hamilton had lost her Mother and that one of her Daughters was III and that she had gone to the salt-water for her recovery the Plug got out of the Cistern in the Wash-house and we lost all the Water M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> brought some Mince Pies to H. J. some candles and sugar
  - 4th fine morn<sup>g</sup> Ice running in plenty Transit went to Toronto M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> returned to Niagara in Transit M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick read a Letter from her son Charles in the extreme part of the North Pacific Ocean which described it to be as cold as it well could be and saying that they had been very successful in taking Whales and had half loaded the ship D Gilkinson J & T Stayner C. Sinclair W Duff George Jarvis who had a long talk with Catharine M<sup>r</sup> Tench who also had a very long talk with Catharine from Eleven to nearly Seven in the Evg –

Ann Ross Washing - half a Tun of Hay from Williams

- A5 March 5 Rain & snowed till ten then cleared off Transit came in Ann Washing no clothes hung out such as had been put our were taken in & put into Water T. Stayner came at seven in the mor<sup>ng</sup> with a Note from M<sup>r</sup> Creen to say he would be up the Cource of the day to Visit H. J. and Administer the Sacrament to her – he did not come we suppose he saw M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick and assertained that H. J. was not so ill as he had heard and that the Roads were very deep prevented his coming M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner & Lewis M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton came up in the Ev<sup>g</sup> and sat two or three Hours with H. J. H. J. had a restless night either from eating some Oysters or taking a spoonful of Port wine on going to Bed A M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent H. J. a bottle of Port wine saying that the D<sup>r</sup> had recommended H. J. to take it if it agreed with her
  - 6 fine morn<sup>9</sup> Ice running the River covered with it Transit went out H. J. felt very sick took Oil and felt better M<sup>r</sup> Tench paid an early visit to Catharine
- 45 March 6 on his way to Niagara Ann putting out the Clothes Boys gone to school M<sup>r</sup> Creen came about twelve and read Prayers Prayers for the Restoration of the sick particularly for H.J. who was the one he came purposely to visit May his Prayers and those present be propitious to her health if it please the Almighty M<sup>r</sup> Creen had a Lunch here H. J. sat up two Hours Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Niagara for Medicine for H.J. and some other things M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent by Alx<sup>r</sup> a Pot of potted Tongue Jane & Eliza H<sup>n</sup> came up to Mangle were so kind as to help our girls to do theirs C Sinclair J. Stayner W. Duff Ice still running
  - 7 beautiful morn<sup>g</sup> not so much Ice as yesterday H. J. had a better Night, than the night before H. J. got up at Ten and ate some potted Tongue, which stayed on her stomach –
- 45 March 7 Cath<sup>n</sup> complaining of a pain in her Chest Jarvis a bad cold H. O. H. hands better still very painful – a sore burn for her – who has so much to do – M<sup>c</sup>Mickens sent to enquire after H. J. and to know if D<sup>r</sup> Low was expected up – if so to send him to them – their Babys being sick –
  - M<sup>rs</sup> A M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in the Transit brought some Calfs foot Jelly for H. J. some preserved Cranberries she stayed all night J. Stayner C Sinclair M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken sent to enquire after the sick

Rain all Night – H. J. very restless the latter part of the Night – some Fever – A letter from Wee Augusta –

- 8 Cloudy M<sup>rs</sup> A M<sup>c</sup>Cormick went to Niagara in Transit Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis gone over the river for Tea H. J. better toward the Middle of the Day Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza scrubbing & baking H. O. ironing –
- 45 March 8 Alx<sup>r</sup> rode to Niagara brought from M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> vinegar bottle of Medicine small bottle of lamp Oil some Biscuit box of Floats the rest to be sent up by the Boat on Monday Jane Hamilton drank tea here Lewis Stayner brought a basket of Oinions C Sinclair Alx<sup>r</sup> brought a Bill from Fraizer of \$4-6 which I thought paid H. J slept well till four O'Clock then the Fever came on which lasted till Eleven causing restlessness stupor without thirst the Mouth seemed to be covered with thick leather began taking an other sort of Medicine at half past Eleven in the Morn<sup>g</sup> D<sup>r</sup> Mewburn called to see H. J
  - 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday fine morn<sup>9</sup> some Ice running Wind easterly cold & raw Children preparing to take
- 45 March 9 a walk M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken sent to enquire after H. J Letters from H. H H & Jessie J. T. & M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner W<sup>m</sup> Tench C. Sinclair W<sup>m</sup> Duff a number of Canal men followed a Canal Woman from port Robinson up to our House one Man very drunk rushed into the House after the Woman H. O ordered him out he said he was in a hurry to get in but none to go out H. O. sent for R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton who came and pitched the man down the back steps when he judged it convenient to take himself off with his Companions W Duff slept here Mary Jane & Eliza Hamilton H. J. slept well till about half past 4 O'Clock when the restless fit came on and remained till Ten next morn<sup>g</sup> little M<sup>c</sup>Mickens
  - 10 fine morn<sup>9</sup> neither sunshine or cloudy –
- 45 March 10 H. J. fever left her about Ten this morn<sup>g</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent to know how H. J. was Hamiltons also –

Transit came over - S. P. Jarvis and Daughter Emily came in her to see H. J. stayed all Night - breakfasted & returned to Toronto in Transit - M<sup>rs</sup> Jarvis sent a pot of Calfs foot jelly to H. J. Sam<sup>l</sup> left twenty Dollars with H. O H - snowing

- 11 fine clear morn<sup>g</sup> mild ground covered with snow Alx<sup>r</sup> drove Emely Jarvis to the Boat in the sleigh H. J. missed her Fever this morn<sup>g</sup> and is much better D<sup>r</sup> Lowe came up to see H. J. pronounced her on the mend recommended her to live on strong soups milk and other nourishing Food Alx<sup>r</sup> rode to Niagara for Medicine and other Articles as in Account book he drank tea with his Aunt Augusta Jane & Eliza Hamilton C Sinclair J Stayner he mended two Pens for H. J.
- 45 March 12 fine morn<sup>g</sup> cold snow still on the ground H. J. had a good Night H. J. took
  Oil which acted freely H. J. feels very feeble this morn<sup>g</sup> Transit came over –
  brought a Box from S. P. Jarvis containing a flitch Of Bacon 3 bottles port Wine 3
  Medaria & some mild Rice M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up to see H. J. brought H. O.
  some Candles Jane and Eliza came up to Mangle W Duff helped them –
  Alx<sup>r</sup> met his Aunt with the Carriage and brought her up
  - fine morn<sup>g</sup> some remains of Snow H. J. slept well last night is in better spirits this morn-g- M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick went to Niagara in Transit and wrote to S. P. Jarvis H. S. had the Fever from 12 in the morn<sup>g</sup> to nine next night when it abated in the morn<sup>g</sup> she had three faint fits Jane and Eliza Hamilton M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton came to invite Carol<sup>e</sup>, Emma and Herbert to spend the afternoon tomorrow it being her 14<sup>th</sup>
- 45 March 14 birth day M<sup>r</sup> Tench C Sinclair –

- 16 [sic] Fine morn<sup>9</sup> cold Ice running some snow some Rain Children went to M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton were highly delighted did not return till nine at Night so tired they were well pleased to go to their Bed Eliza & Hamilton Miss Rosses W Duff M<sup>rs</sup> Duff sent six Lemons to H. J. M<sup>rs</sup> Tench sent W<sup>m</sup> to enquire after H. J. Transit came over brought a pot of Pickled White Fish from M<sup>rs</sup> Jarvis some Calfhead jelly & soup & feet some potted Tongue from Augusta a Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Jarvis also from Augusta H. J had a restless night very thirsty during the Night find herself very weak –
- 15 River full of Ice cold cloudy H. O. wrote to M<sup>rs</sup> Jarvis & Augusta M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> sent the Letter by Julia Hamilton to be put
- 45 March 15 on board the Transit H. O. and Eliza sat up all Night with H. J. Alx<sup>r</sup> has the Ague M<sup>c</sup>Micken Chimney took fire H. O. bought a Calfs head, cleaned for two shillings and two shillings worth Of Beef Sausages 2/ –

 $D^r$  Lowe drove  $M^{rs}$   $M^c$ Cormick up to Queenston to see H J – the  $D^r$  stayed an hour – flattered H. J. with hopes of recovery – if she could eat sufficient of such food as would stay on her stomach to remove the great debility hanging upon her – Augusta remained all Night –  $M^{rs}$  Tench – Jane – Eliza Julia Hamilton Miss Rosses – J & T Stayner – W Duff – C. Sinclair

Alx<sup>r</sup> had the Ague in School to day – snowing all Night

- 16– Sunday snowing all day Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis drove M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick to Niagara Alx<sup>r</sup> got the Ague M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> gave each a glass of Beer to warm them it made them a little Tipsy they ate some Dinner and drove Home
- 45 March 16 Alx<sup>r</sup> had the Fever all Night took calomel made his sick at the stomach and opperated otherwise he took towards morn<sup>g</sup> some Tincture of Senna which came up immediately He is better this morn<sup>g</sup> W Tench M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup>
  - snowing in the morn<sup>g</sup> cloudy disagreeable weather. The Paddies may break each Others heads with snow balls in honor of A Patrick instead of Shelalak if they think them hard enough M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> Children & servant came to see H J. M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> slept at M<sup>rs</sup> Easthams & Horse M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> at Janes the servant at H. O. M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Lewis Stayner flights of snow during the day Transit commenced her Trips daily from Toronto to Niagara and back again –
  - 18 flight of snow this Morn<sup>g</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> called at Ten
- 45 March 18 Jessie's birth day may she enjoy many returns of the day is the sincere wish of H. J. H. J slept well but was disturbed by Midicine which gave her uneasiness through the Night H. J. felt better this Morn<sup>g</sup> she wishes it may continue if it be the Will of God –

One O'Clock – Transit came in –  $M^{rs}$  Fraizer came up – brought a Basket from  $M^{rs}$   $M^{c}$ Cormick with Biscuit, Eggs, &c – She stayed all night – A letter from  $M^{rs}$  W. B. Robinson and an Instrument for H. J. to be put down the the Throat to endeavour to remove the Obstruction which was the cause of her sickness – H. O read the Bible to H. J. – Margaritte Fraizer read in the Thistle soles W Duff – C. Sinclair – Children went to the Post Office for Letters – Letters from W. M. Jarvis to H. O. – Eliza went to help Jane Wash. Mary & Jane came up to Tea here – C. Sinclair J Stayner.

45 March 19 a beautiful morn<sup>g</sup> – Ice running – cold H. J. slept well – finds herself stronger this morn<sup>g</sup> – was able to put on her night gown which she had not done for several Weeks past – Chief Justice commenced her Trips to and from Toronto to Niagara – M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizer went down to Niagara from Queenston – Mary & Jane drank Tea here – J Stayner– C Sinclair –

20 – Dull morn<sup>g</sup> Ice running – very cold Chief Justice came up – M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came in her – stayed very short time being obliged to return that M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick could go to

A Letter from Mary M<sup>c</sup>Cormick to Catharine – making enquiries after H. J. Letters from M<sup>r</sup> Fraizer to his Wife dated at New Orleans – S. J. Peters propose to Visit Canada in June 29<sup>th</sup> – Jane H<sup>n</sup> brought up now that Sandy Duff would soon be down – which gave his friends much pleasure – the day remained dull – cold – uncomfortable.

- 45 March 21 The morn<sup>g</sup> ushered in with a bright sun shine cold plenty of Ice passing down Jane Hamilton received a Letter from Hannah H. H H. J passed a tolerable night requiring drink frequently threw up almost every thing she took during the day took Oil and felt better ate her Breakfast and did not part with it this day Chief Justice came in at twelve brought up a Parcel from Augusta containing 4y<sup>ds</sup> of white Cotton & 3y<sup>ds</sup> unbleached & two Papers of Needles total nine Dollars for H. O. C Sinclair Jane & Julia Hamilton came up to Mangle Jane read a Letter from H H H saying she had been suffering with pain in her chest little Jessie with a cold H H H was living in Hopes of soon returning to Queenston and meeting her Friends once more what a delight it will be in the mind I am now I think it will be long before I quit dear Home again a good husband would scarce make my change my opinion unless he was to settle near sweet Home H. J. slept well had a Drink
- 45 March 21 of spirits
  - 22 a clear fine morn<sup>9</sup> some Ice mild –

Catharine has got the scrubbing brush again – I verily believe she likes it better than her Breakfast

H. J. wrote to S. J Peters – H. O to M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson S P. Jarvis & W. M Jarvis – Chief Justice came in at twelve – J. Stayner drove Cath<sup>n</sup> & Jane Hamilton to the Falls – to see Mary M<sup>c</sup>Cormick – drank Tea with M<sup>rs</sup> Street – returned at half past Nine – Cath<sup>n</sup> bought two Baskets of Oats for Pony – Mary Hamilton – J Stayner Mistake make in the Mail Bags – which caused Jarvis to half kill his mare to rectify –

- 23<sup>d</sup> Sunday Easter some rain after which a pleasant day Catharine & Jane & Julia went over the River to Church Mary Hamilton came up here to stay until her sisters returned –
- 45 March 23 Boys gone to M<sup>r</sup> Guernseys to crack Easter Eggs Robert Hamilton Sen<sup>r</sup> has just come up from Niagara and says a rumour prevails that W. B. R. is to lose the Office of Inspector Y<sup>r</sup> & to receive that of Provincial Secretary Catharine returned from Church says the Party on Wednesday is a dress Party M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent H. J. half a roll of fresh Butter many thanks to her M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton came up and sat an Hour with H. J Jane Hamilton J. Stayner C Sinclair W Duff F<sup>k</sup> & E<sup>d</sup> Tench two little Duffs and Creightons we heard that D<sup>r</sup> Hamiltons daughters were left three thousand pounds, each by their grand Mother and that M<sup>rs</sup> Hamilton and daughters were soon to be out to Canada H. J. had not so good a Night suffering with thirst
- 45 March 24 Easter Monday dull heavy morn<sup>g</sup> Boys hawling Water Girls Baking, sweeping & washing H. O. getting Dinner and tending on H. J Emma gone for Rice. Boys to school with a note of dententation C Sinclair Mary Hamilton Margaret & Augusta Fraizer came up from Niagara and returned in Chief Justice brought some Beef from M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick

- beautiful day Mary M<sup>c</sup>Cormick called at nine O'Clock morn<sup>9</sup> twelve O'Clock M<sup>r</sup>
  Creen came up & administer the sacrament to H. J H. O. Catharine & Eliza partook
  of the Holy rights at the same time M<sup>r</sup> Creen lunched here Jane & Mary Hamilton
   Children walked down to M<sup>rs</sup> Grayham Catharine, Eliza & Helen gone to take a
  walk with Jane H<sup>n</sup> and Miss Rosses Boys making up the stone wall –
- 45 March 25 Miss Rosses Jane & Eliza Hamilton W Duff W Tench some soda Crackers
   Miss Julia Ross sent H. O. a handsome p<sup>r</sup> of Silk Velvet worked slippers much too large
  - 26 the Sun rose bright clouded up at nine H. J passed a good Night feels rather better her feet swollen a good deal last night and this morn<sup>9</sup> Indication of weakness or Dropsy nature giving way by slow degrees H. J.s thread nearly spun God be merciful to her hereafter H. J.s feet & legs cold every night to her knees Soldier came to repair the Fence round the Field at ten O'Clock returned to Barracks to get his Officers Leave came back and worked a short time Catharine Eliza Jane Eliza & Julia Hamilton & Miss Rosses went over the River to an event Party all dressed for the occasion the
- 45 March 26 ladies in long sleeves coloured shoes Boots &c no beauties among them the Male kind not even decent either in looks or dress they walked round the Supper Table to admire it profusion and elegance after which the Ladies were requested to seat themselves as many as could find a place at the supper Table Cakes Jellies Blank-manche preserves Tarts Turkey Hams Fowles Tongues &c &c the Room handsomely lighted After supper singing Music and in the end dancing altho' two Clergymen were there one set his Face against it but M<sup>r</sup> Murray saw it a harmless amusement so they danced the young Ladies did not return till seven in the morn<sup>g</sup> much fatigued M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick and George came up in Chief Justice and returned in her Mary & Jane Hamilton C Sinclair About six the news reached Queenston that the Cottage at Stamford Park was burnt down and that the Boyds had lost all
- 45 March 26 their Provisions Hay Oats Barns farming utensils and much of their clothing all for want of Water wind very high last night S. P. J sent H. O. 6 white Fish
  - beautiful mild morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. slept very well her feet still swollen took Oil Chief Justice came in brought some Calfs head soup from Augusta M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup>

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- 45 March 28 dull morn<sup>9</sup> hazy H. J. mending sloly Boys gone to school Ann Washing Counterpanes & Blankets &c – H. O & Eliza gone to Niagara Margarette & W Fraizor came up in Chief Justice brought a bottle of Gin for H. J. – returned in Chief Justice
  - H. O. called on  $M^{rs}$  Creen and Donnel bought several things called on  $M^{c}$  Cormick who was going off to Toronto
  - Mary Jane Eliza Julia Hamilton Miss Rosses Edmund & W Tench W Duff C Sinclair J & T Stayner the Ladies & Tenches drank Tea here went away about ten Children walked down to see  $M^{rs}$  Grayham and drank Tea at  $M^{rs}$  Guernseys H. J slept well her Oil did not act –
  - 29 a lovely morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. up early feels tolerably read her Bible and wrote in her memorandum book –

- 45 March 29 Catharine & Eliza scrubbing Baking little Eliza riding Pony round the Field –
   Old R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton very sick with Pain in his stomach Mary Jane and Eliza W Duff J Stayner C Sinclair
  - Sunday a lovely warm day Ice running H. J. sat on the Veranda for some time H. J. had Fever great debility and want of spirits took Oil at Night it did not act freely very restless during the Night and thirsty M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner came and sat an hour or two in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Cath<sup>n</sup> went to walk with Jane Mary & Eliza came here W Tench W Duff J & T Stayner C Sinclair

Alx<sup>r</sup> drove Elia and little Eliza to Niagara Church – returned about five – Sam M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks – Augusta not returned from Toronto – Old R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton –

- 45 March 31 an other warm morn<sup>9</sup> Ice running a good deal of south Wind H. J. not so depressed as as yesterday complaining of pain in her side had her side rubbed with Hartshorn and Oil which made it easier on the whole she is better than yesterday Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to drive Cath<sup>n</sup> to St Catharines to have her tooth plugged had four plugged & three taken out & p<sup>d</sup> two Dollars took M<sup>rs</sup> Mills a very old rose bush and Barbary Root M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Mary & Jane Hamilton J. Stayner C Sinclair H J had the Fever was much depressed in Spirits A Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman
- April 1 very dull rainy morn<sup>g</sup> the River covered with Ice H. J slept very well no Fever this morn<sup>g</sup> feels in better spirits Mary Hamilton borrowed a piece of soap Jane Hamilton C Sinclair T Stayner –
- 45 April 2 fine morn<sup>g</sup> the River choked up with Ice & one store house gone the other stripped People busy trying to save the Goods out of it the Ice and Water nearly up to the Bridge M<sup>r</sup> Woodruff likely to be a great loser in Flour & Merchandise all the Ferry Boats gone Ice banked up on the Lewiston side twenty or thirty feet Store-houses gone A Boat endeavouring to Cross with four men was lost the men saved themselves by taking the Oars and jumping from one piece of Ice to an other two Men fool hardy walked over from Queenston to Lewiston on the Ice one reached Lewiston after falling in & was saved by a Board pushed out to him the other it was not ascertained what had become of him at 11 O'Clock three men walked over to Lewiston on the Ice & arrived safe a Boat rowing up the road, loaded with goods from the river Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to Niagara for Lime to clean the House

The Man white washing the Ceilings in the meantime – 12 O'Clock Hail – Rain & Snow – thunder & lightning

H. O. & Girls all gone to see the Phenomenon of Ice-

- 43 [sic] April 2 Mary & Jane Hamilton M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up with Alx<sup>r</sup> stayed all Night returned with Alx<sup>r</sup> at 4 O'Clock on the third took Emma with her to spend a few days the Store houses and Wharfs all gone and much Of the Merchandise lost Wild Flowers & Hyacinths all in bloom H. J slept well Chief Justice came over and returned with her Passengers not being able to Land.
  - 3 fine day the River more choked than yesterday the Barracks overflowed soldiers obliged to seek other quarters several Houses on the Lewiston side covered with Ice & Water the Horse-boat thrown upon the Bank Niagara Wharfe gone the Dock in great danger

People busy in saving goods from the store Houses carried away by the Ice - H J better to day - the Ice and Water nearly up to the Bridge - the Water to Guernseys door - All the Houses on the flat at Queenston floating about - Water rose 16 feet in two hours - M $^{rs}$  Creighton - Miss Jane  $\,$  C Sinclair  $\,$  some snow - Boys returned about Eight

45 April 5 [sic] White washer did not come till seven – beautiful day Chief Justice came over yesterday – landed at the two mile run H. J. slept well – not so well this morn<sup>9</sup> – throwing up every thing she takes – H. J. Six Weeks sick this day –

M<sup>rs</sup> Mills & D<sup>r</sup> Harrison – he took measure of H. O<sup>s</sup> mouth for a set of Teeth – drew three for Jane – two for Caroline – six Eliza two Helen – M<sup>rs</sup> Mills brought six pounds of Butter at 1/6 – Jane helping the Girls clean House – Water rose 8 inches in two hours – M<sup>rs</sup> Mills returned at four O'Clock –

Youngston stores carried away by the Ice -

Catharine had a Letter from Mary (Peter) – A load of Hay from Williams – a load of Wood from Williams

M<sup>e</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> & Master Fitz<sup>d</sup> – M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> brought Caroline & Emma a summer Bonnet – ready trimmed – very neatly – they drank Tea here – and left for Chippawa at seven – H. J slept well – the oil was rather active – Girls very tired –

- 45 April 5 dull morn<sup>9</sup> – the Water falling – the Barracks to be seen below the first Floor – Cornwalls house to be seen below the first floor – Alx<sup>r</sup> ^ Caroline gone to Niagara for Whiting and blue – brought up a Bank Check for H. J. to sign H. J. tolerable this morn<sup>9</sup> – not so well at twelve – the Ice still choked in the River – Wind North then came round to the West – Water fell six feet before twelve O'Clock – Girls cleaning House, the man Whitewashing the Drawing-room, big Dining room Green room & upper Kitchen – the Halls all finished and upper part of the House – the Chief Justice came over & brought the Members of the House of Assembly

Jeff brought two White fish – asked 1/4 a piece – H O. bought one and he insisted on leaving the other – Mary – Jane & Eliza Hamilton – C Sinclair – Catharine went down to Janes – walked up to  $M^{rs}$  Staynors – Henry Stayner blew himself up with gun powder – burnt all his Clothes off – and was most severely burnt in the Face –  $R^t$  Hamilton

- 45 April 5 lost two suits with Pondegrass carried on in the name of his daughters a great loss to them leaving them nothing to live on for three months his own obstinacy the Water subsided on the Flats & the Houses settled down on the mud surrounded with Ice the Water visible near the Ferry in the middle of the River The Man finished white washing and left at six, leaving a terrible mess in the Kitchen
  - Sunday fine clear morn<sup>g</sup> cold the River open in the Middle to Fields point quantities of Ice floating down it it has been choked with West Wind a point or two to the North it opens with the same the Ice commenced running this day with immense cakes of Ice passing down the River Caroline says that Henry Stayner looks like a wild Beard more than anything else so black so ugly –
- 45 April 6 it is said that the River is eighty feet deep opposite to the Kirk the Ice is grounded there and is twenty feet above the level of the River it is also said that the Ice is thrown upon the Bank in the throat of the River an hundred feet high River not open at the mouth this day a cake of Ice went off which they think will save the Dock report says that nine Miles of Ice remains in Lake Erie to come down yet Alx<sup>r</sup> Eliza Helen & Caroline went out to Ev<sup>g</sup> Church at Niagara brought Emma home the Waggon broke coming down the deep Hollow they all got out and walked home Catharine went to walk with Jane C Sinclair J Stayner W Tench H. J. slept well but threw up most of what she took through the day took Oil it did not act freely not so well for it nine O'Clock night snowing very fast M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent H. J some Calfs Head soup H. O. wrote to M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman Catharine to Ann & Jessie & Mary (Peter) –
- 45 April 7 the snow storm continued will One O'Clock cleared off Large pieces of Ice gone
   the Chief came in yesterday landed her Passengers at the Fishery at Niagara the

store houses which were lashed to trees near M<sup>r</sup> John Hamiltons took Trees and all into the River and are leasurally drifting down – Mary Hamilton here helping the girls to clean the Garrets – H. O washing – her Hands all skinned – no Water but Well water to use – the Road all torn up with the Ice – both Carriages disabled – Cart also – Old Crab came for Currant bushed – Catharine – Eliza – Hellen went to walk – Old Crab would not let his girls go – it was too late –

The Current undermining the Ice – which breaks of in large Pieces and floats down the River – H. O wrote to M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick – inclosing two printed Forms for H. J Pension the last but one she has – and most likely never be wanted

- 45 April 8 a very cold night Wind North very little Ice left the River last Night H. J much disturbed in her Dreams by Dreaming of Turkeys and their Eggs which were stolen too true Alx<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken came for his Bed screw reported that the Boyds lost their things by Fire from Laziness all but one or two standing & screaming instead of exerting themselves to save what they could H. O. wrote to Augusts to send some Biscuit and Castor Oil Old Crab left this for Toronto this Morn<sup>g</sup> Catharine cleaning her room Eliza whitewashing the garret stair case Helen baking H. O cleaning stove H. J. up at an early hour to what she was yesterday took some Wine it flew into her head an attempt to snow Road Ice stationary this day Caroline gone to the Post Office Boys to school Letters from Amherstburgh all well Mary Hamilton came to
- 45 April 8help the girls Jessie changing her Horse for a larger one M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Pherson brought up from M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick printed Copies for H. J. to sign to entitle her to draw her Pension from Government Also twenty five Dollars in Bills which he was so kind as to advance Augusta sent some Biscuit and a bottle of Castor Oil Cath<sup>n</sup> & Helen went walk with Jane and Eliza called at M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners found John very sick legs still suffering from his burns The Barracks falling down Soldiers going into Browns large stone house –

H. J took Oil – it acted freely – she slept sound – Helen borrowed a cup of Tea of  $\mathbf{M}^{\text{rs}}$  Guernsey –

- 9 a beautiful morn<sup>g</sup> Sun shines bright Wind still North Ice remains stationary which makes the air Chilly Mary Jane & little Eliza came to help the girls clean House their Father having gone
- 45 April 9 to Toronto gave then an Holy day which they improved by coming up here to
   <u>work</u> a curious way to play Many thanks to them for their assistance at this time –
   Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza being nearly <u>done over</u> Cleaning green room, Window, Drawing and
   large Parlour do thawing in the Sun

A load of Wood from Williams – his Team drew a barrel of Water for us – he brought a second load of Wood – a third & fourth – M<sup>rs</sup> A M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up & stayed all night, brought some potted Beef – She brought a Letter from Eliza Robinson – enclosing £10-0-0 – a timely assistance to the Widow and Fatherless – most thankful to her for the Bounty – the Bible says those who put their trust in God – He forsakes not – since H. J sickness the hand of God has been very visible in sending relief

- 45 April 9 to the sick and Poor his Mercies be praised
  - H. J slept well ate her Breakfast parted with part of it got up about Nine a lovely warm morn<sup>g</sup> the Ice still fast Wind south West Augusta gone with the Children, hunting for Turkeys Nests Mary, Jane & Eliza spending a Holy day here scrubbing and washing Windows Mary slept here the Girls drank tea last Night with M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner by Invitation Williams drawing Woods Williams brought five bushels of Wheat made into store bran & shorts Edmund Tench C Sinclair T Stayner Catharine & Jane walked up to M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis drove Augusta to Niagara bought two tin Pails Tea kettle black lead & Tea the tea kettle

- 45 April 10 too small to be returned A Letter from wee Augusta Catharine had a Letter from W. Jarvis the day clouded up about Eleven appearance of Rain some Rain in the morn<sup>g</sup> about five– H. J. took Oil slept well all day is much better
  - 11 Morn<sup>9</sup> cloudy Air chilly Ice stationary

H. J. up about ten – parted with most of her Breakfast – walked from the Window to the Door – by the Bed posts – felt fatigued when she returned to her Chair – sent the tea kettle back by Lewis & he left it at the San-mans – M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken & \* M<sup>rs</sup> Obrion – H. J gave her a Recipe to cure her cough

Seven weeks since H. J was taken ill – during which time she had had no other Clothes on save her night dress

- 45 April 11 H. J. parted with her Breakfast but on the whole is better Eliza went to Jane's to spend the Ev<sup>9</sup> after finishing the Halls C. Sinclair
  - very fine morn<sup>g</sup> cold the Ice still stationary dropping of in large Cakes which which the Beaudage is reduced the Men are busy in endeavouring to launch the Horse Boat from the Ice where it has been thrown Girls cleaning the Kitchen H. O baking Helen washing Tea things Caroline Dusting Emma & Herbert bringing up Wood H. J sorting Papers Mary Hamilton Boys drew a barrel of Water cut Wood cleaned the Stables went to school –
- 45 April 12 Sixty three years ago on the 12 of April H. J. left England for Canada had a rough Passage of eight Weeks and four days to Quebec ten days of which was spent surrounded with Mountains of Ice the sailors has their Ears & Fingers frozen 1845 remarkable that the River at Niagara should be crowded with Ice on each side to the Whirlpool which carried away the Wharfs Store houses Houses Mills and even the Trees and all the Boats

Jasper Gilkison came from Hamilton this Morn<sup>9</sup> reports that all were well there – and that W M Jarvis had at last consented to let a third Person take his affairs into their Hands to settle – it is good News

45 April 12 to his Aged sick Mother – and that his Family w<sup>d</sup> not be left destitute in case of his
 Death –

H. O. making an Apple Pudding for Dinner

M<sup>r</sup> Street called to take H. J oath to receive her Pension from Government – Jane dined here – M<sup>r</sup> T Mewburn – C Sinclair – Catharine and Eliza went on the Bank – to see the Horse-boat launched – were disappointed W Tench –

Sunday – very fine morn<sup>g</sup> – some evil minded person set fire to some straw behind M<sup>r</sup> Stevens's Barn and but for timely assistance from People going to meeting – taking down the burning Fences– would have been burnt – the Horse boat after much work was launched off the Ice into the River – we watched till five – and lost the sight at last – it going off suddenly –

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- 45 April 13 a great deal of Ice broke off during the Day M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> & Miss Creighton M<sup>rs</sup> Ross
   J & T Stayner C. Sinclair M<sup>r</sup> Cummings Willowby Jasper \*\* Miss
   M<sup>c</sup>Cormick Jasper Gilkinson M<sup>rs</sup> Fraser H. J. slept well was better in the mornn<sup>9</sup> Mary & Jane & Eliza Hamilton
  - fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. O went down to Blacks to be measured for a pr of Slippers Met W. M. Jarvis & Caroline Augusta Hamilton who had just arrived from Hamilton to see H. J. H. J. got up most of the Day M<sup>r</sup> Holomes M<sup>rs</sup> Fraser C Sinclair J T & L Stayner Mary Jane & Eliza Hamilton M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner came & spent the afternoon drank Tea and stayed till half past nine W Tench Catharine went on the Bank with Jane the Ice going stately A Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman with a block Blotter for which I Thank her M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizor brought up some Crackers Boys drew two Barrels of Water from Janes Ch\*\* came up to Queenston returned immediately

- 45 April 15 very fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J passed a good night ate her Breakfast and threw it up again took some Wine and Water threw part up again W M Jarvis and Augusta slept here W<sup>m</sup> & H. O. going to Niagara M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> came down with her Children & spent the day W. M. J. & H. O. dined at M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks H. O. bought several things as by account-book they returned about seven had Tea W. M. went to the Inn to sleep to be ready for the Stage in the morn<sup>g</sup> Edmund Tench C Sinclair J<sup>n</sup> Guernsey Phoebe Guernsey Lewis Stayner -
  - dull morn<sup>g</sup> appearance of Rain a smart shower in the morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. gone down to the Village to be measured for his slippers H. J. removed into Cath<sup>ns</sup>
     [vertically in left margin of page] X and take charge of three Madmen and do all the Hours not \*\*
- 45 April 16 room to have her room cleaned more Bags there than expected they are going to White wash the room Augusta writing to C<sup>thn</sup> Robert the Chief Justice came up to Queenston landed her passengers and returned the Lucon made her first trip from Niagara to Hamilton yesterday Letters from Amherstburgh that gives us hope of seeing them soon A Letter from S. P. J. saying he could not get salmon but salmon Front & White Fish he could send Augusta wrote to Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> & Freeman W<sup>m</sup> Jarvis went home to Hamilton began to Rain at two a shower after it rained night a reasonable supply of Water having had none for several weeks C Sinclair he assisted in
- 45 April 16 Xputting up the bedstead in H. J.<sup>s</sup> room came in to see H. J. X Sat a Turkey on thirteen Eggs had the Baskets fixed in the Well to draw Water with both had the leak in H. J room stopped not thoroughly H. O. & Girls white washed the little spare room and cleaned it otherwise two panes of glass fell out in the back spare room and broke cut Catharine's arm
  - 17 cloudy morn<sup>g</sup> Ann here washing H. O Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza also The Door in the hall blew to and broke two panes of Glass Augusta cleaning up the bed room Helen the Kitchen Caroline & Emma washing Tea things Boys gone to school H. J slept well her Medicine opperated only twice she parted with her Breakfast C. Sinclair –
- 45 April 17 Jarvis gone over River for Tea very late in returning Alx<sup>r</sup>, Caroline & Herbert gone to Priest Carols for Veal & Butter Mary Hamilton Catharine Eliza Helen & Augusta drank Tea with Jane H. J took Oil it took no effect had to resort to other means some Rain eight Weeks since H. J was taken ill
  - 18 Cloudy morn<sup>9</sup> great quantity of Ice in the River sides yet the Sale of the Wharf put off next Week at Eleven the sun came out H. O. &c busy hanging out clothes
    - Alx<sup>r</sup> went over River for Tea & \*\* Pine– gone to school Girls scrubbing Mary Hamilton came to borrow Starch & Blue
- 45 April 18 unbeknown to Jane H. J. not so well to day Clothes dried beautifully some Rain J Stayner came up to see H. J. Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis went to Nia Niagara bought Candles and Window-glass bring brought up some soup from Augusta for H. J. C. Sinclair Jane Eliza Julia Hamilton Lewis Stayner. M<sup>rs</sup> Obrien came up to mangle M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners clothes John Ann & Phoebe Guernsey D<sup>r</sup> Hamilton he examined H. J. Stomach said there was a lump in the Pit of her Stomach, which caused her sickness that it was of long standing and no cure but temporary relief but by Leaches Gods will be done Julia Hamilton came up with the Boys report says that John Hamilton's Boat was
- 45 April 18 got off the Rock with very little damage and will be soon fit to take her place on the River as a Packet boat – I hope it is true for M<sup>r</sup> Hamiltons sake – News that London (Western Canada) had three Blocks of Houses were burnt last Sunday – this is the second Fire in that place within a twelve month – the Church was burnt with

the first – the Post Office with the second – a large sum of Money (Specie) melted down – but collected in bulk – the People burnt out lost a great deal – In Pitsburg there had been an other Fire – the loss amounting to Millions of Dollars – the Cars on this side commenced running –

- 45 April 19 cloudy dull morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. feels very weak she slept well the Oil acted three times Catharine & Eliza scrubbing H. O starching clothes & folding Helen Ironing Emma sweeping Gallery Caroline gone with a Letter to M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken's Boys mending fence Augusta mending her Frock Ice Ice [sic] still in the River Chief Justice came up to Lewiston landed her Passengers on the Ice there M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in her stayed all Night C Sinclair J. Stayner put in three panes of Glass in the Hall-door Cath<sup>n</sup> Eliza Helen & Augusta went to Tea at Janes Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis went to Williams for straw brought eight clips of gooseberries for Augusta some Rain in the ev<sup>g</sup> –
- 45 April 20 Sunday rather dull cloudy without \*\* Alx<sup>r</sup> drove M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick& Julia Hamilton to Niagara Augusta M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> sent some Potatos & a syring and some Iceland Moss Jane & Julia J. Stayner C Sinclair W. Duff came <u>and went out</u> the first time for four Weeks Cath<sup>n</sup> Eliza & Augusta drank tea with Jane

Letters from Amherstburgh – saying they  $^{**}$  be down in the London – Helen complained of Rheumatism – H. J. throwing up all day – no strength in the stomach and very little in body –

Rain in the Ev<sup>g</sup> –

- A fine morn<sup>g</sup> cloudy about eleven plenty of Ice still in the River which makes the Air very cold H. J. not so well has that unpleasant feeling in her stomach
- 45 April 21 as if hungry and causing a faintness cannot find any relief as she cannot eat to allay it – H. O. white washing the lower Kitchen North room Hall & Washroom–Girls sweeping the above also Cellars H. O. fell from a table on to the Churn-darker and burnt her Breast very bad Alx<sup>r</sup> drove her to Niagara to get bled she was bled in both arms which did not relieve the Pain she returned and bathed her side with Camomile flowers and rubbed it with embrocation that the D<sup>r</sup> gave her which gave her ease but not a cure took a powder to compose her C Sinclair W Duff T Mewburn J & T Stayner Jane & Eliza Hamilton came up to help the Girls mangle had Tea late –
- 45 April 21 a very fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J ate her Breakfast a boiled Egg which made her very sick first bringing on a great heat then a perspiration then cold then faintness which kept her in Bed till twelve O'Clock -
  - 22 M<sup>r</sup> Creen called to see H J read Prayers to her and went to Chippawa M<sup>r</sup> Pherson borrowed Pony to go to Niagara to bring up the <u>Old Crab</u>

Louisa Stayner came up to play with Caroline & Emma – Boys took out the dirt from Mans Room – Catharine & Eliza white washing and scrubbing the lower hall – the goose hatched

Chief Justice came in to Lewiston – the new Boat was to commence her Trips to Amherstburgh this day – Jane Hamilton –

- 45 April 22 Mary C Sinclair T Stayner W Tench Old Crab returned no better brought a Letter for Catharine from her Aunt Frances Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza cleaned the lower Hall Mans Room & Milk room Cath<sup>n</sup> Eliza & Augusta walked down to Janes in the ev<sup>9</sup> Helen suffering with her legs
  - very fine morn<sup>9</sup> V the first American Boat came to Lewiston the America H. J. slept well the Oil acted twice through up her Breakfast rose about ten Mary H<sup>n</sup> came up sick Old Crab locked all his Doors to keep out the impertinent

<u>young Men</u> – who he had formerly directed to go in without knocking as the Knock disturbed him

- 45 April 23 Chief came up to Lewiston – a Letter from Mary Jarvis with a bottle of calfs feet jelly – the Queen came up to Lewiston for the first time Jane Hamilton – C Sinclair – M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Catharine & Eliza white washed the scullery & wash house H. J. slept well – threw up her Breakfast – other wise tolerable – rose at half past nine – washed & turned over a new Leaf – very comfortable – H. O something easier – A Letter from Albertine Peters – Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza cleaning the lower Kitchen – Old Crab – says M<sup>c</sup>Micken has left the Interest of the Hamiltons & joined the Streets and Chippawa People – the Lady of the Lake made her first appearance this season – M<sup>rs</sup> Grayham came to take the Children to a walk – nine Weeks since H J was taken III –

[vertical in left margin] Thunder, Lightning & Rain

- 45 April 24 M<sup>r</sup> Creen called and read prayers for H J M<sup>r</sup> D<sup>l</sup> Gilkinson brought Miss Nichol down from Hamilton & a Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman saying how ill Roberts Child Jessie was and that she wished her sister Augusta to return Miss Wright wrote to Augusta Mary Jane & Eliza Hamilton C Sinclair Edmund Tench T Mewburn J & T Stayner Sharp lightning heavy Thunder and Rain during the Night with high Wind M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent H. J some Blanck Mang and Calf feet jelly–
  - 25 Rather dull morn<sup>g</sup> cool St Lawrence came in her first trip of this year H. J slept well oil acted well kept her Breakfast this morn<sup>g</sup>

    D<sup>r</sup> Lowe came up to see H J & H. O wrote a prescription for Helen who was laid up with Rheumatism Rainy afternoon a beautiful Rain Bow at sun set J Stayner C Sinclair –
- 45 April 26 A fine morn<sup>g</sup> Boys gone to Niagara for Medicine for Helen & H. O and shoes for Alx<sup>r</sup> Jarvis & Caroline and Biscuit Helen passed a bad Night H. J. slept well kept food dow Breakfast in part Ice still in the River A M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up with the Boys Chief came in the Rochester made her first trip M<sup>rs</sup> Boyde Miss Nichol D<sup>I</sup> Gilkinson Jane & Eliza Hamilton M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner J & T Stayner C Sinclair

Old Crab brought H. O. fifteen Knives & Forks paid 7/6 for them – Cath<sup>n</sup> & Eliza did the washing of the Week – sent for Ann to clean the Kitchen – the Hamiltons mangled their clothes – Children hung out the clothes and brought them in again – Girls went to walk – M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick stayed all Night – Rain in the Night with thunder & lightning – M<sup>rs</sup> – Miss & John & Phoebe Guernsey –

- 45 April 27 Sunday morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. very sick not up all day very fine day Alx<sup>r</sup> took M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick home Caroline and Emma went with them M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>C<sup>k</sup> sent two Waist coats for the Boys the Boys went to D<sup>r</sup> Lows brought some Powders for Helen M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton came up Dora Gilkinson J & T. Stayner Edmund & W<sup>m</sup> Tench W Duff C Sinclair W Tench & T Stayner Mary Hamilton took Tea here the Girls all went to walk on the Bank the Ice going a way by degrees Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis went to Niagara at nine O'Clock at night to see D<sup>r</sup> Lowe did not return till twelve brought some Powders for Helen who was very ill he sent word he would be up early in the morn<sup>9</sup> H. J slept well Helen got ease Jane Hamilton sat up with Helen H O suffering from her Bruise Old Crab had a long talk with H. O —
- 45 April 28 very fine day M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton took Pony and the waggon to Niagara bought H. O. a wash bason and ewer for 5/ a blank Music Book for Eliza a box of Widelights 1/ embrocation 2/ brought a pound Gade for H. J D<sup>r</sup> Lowe came up about twelve found Helen better said the Rash she has was much in her favour also that she had the Rheumatic Gout that it had attached to her heart and would

in the end Kill by turning to the Dropsy – two incurable Patients in the House – H. J and Helen – J & T Stayner came to kill Caterpillars and sweep the Cob webs of the Veranda Augusta C wrote to  $M^{rs}$  Freeman – H. J. did not get up till four O'Clock – feeling too weak and miserable to move – H. J ate a bit of the cake  $M^{rs}$   $M^{c}$ Cormick sent – she threw it all up again so much for Cake and every thing else – H O.in great pains

- 45 April 28 Girls whitewashing and scrubbing the back Houses – M<sup>r</sup> Kirkland from London Western Canada – brought a Note to Catharine from Miss Askin – his call was early on Sunday morn<sup>9</sup> – he was a good looking agreeable Man – gave us a good deal of information concerning the Fire at London – the jeopardy that Sheriff Hamilton House was in – several Barns & Stables near him were burnt by the Woods taking fire –

T Stayner – W Tench Mary – Jane & Eliza Hamilton were here in the Ev<sup>g</sup> – Cath<sup>n</sup> Mangled her clothes – H. J. had an other faint turn this morn<sup>g</sup> –

Jarvis's birth day – twelve years Old – H. J gave him a quarter of a Dollar – most likely the last she will ever give him – Helen suffering with Pain in her

- 45 April 28 shoulders and Feet H. O. with her Breast a Woman took measure of the Boys Heads for straw Hats –
  - A very fine morn<sup>g</sup> the Lady of the Lake came in Ice still in the River M<sup>rs</sup> Strong sent to enquire after H. J. The Wind North rather cool H. O. in pain from her Breast Helen suffering with her shoulder Legs & Feet & Hand H. O. mending Herberts Trousers H. J had a faint turn this morn<sup>g</sup> got up about ten this she had three days running it leaves her very weak and spiritless M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner got sat an Hour with H. J Helen very ill this afternoon H. O. in much Pain T Stayner making a finish Of the Cob webs in the Veranda and spent the Ev<sup>g</sup>
- 45 April 29 Alx<sup>r</sup> took Jane down to Niagara our Waggon bottom fell out Alx<sup>r</sup> borrowed Mr Guernseys – bought Caroline a pr of Boots – Rain in the Ev<sup>9</sup> – attended with Thunder & lightning heavy shower about seven –
  - fine morn<sup>g</sup> Boys gone to school Caro & Emma gone for Butter could not find any M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in Chief Justice Hannah & two Jessies arrived from Amherstburgh Jessie looking very thin Hannah lost her beauty by the loss of a front Tooth T Stayner Helen still very sick J Stayner C Sinclair W Duff W Tench M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent to enquire after H. J. & Helen M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton D<sup>r</sup> Lowe M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick went home with him –
- 45 April 30 heavy shower, Thunder & Lightning in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Rained, very heavy during the Night H. J slept well Helen slept none in great pain all night H. O & Eliza sat up with her H. H. H a part of the night
- May 1<sup>st</sup> Very fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. tolerable Helen crying with Pain H. O<sup>s</sup> Breast very little better Boys gone to the Examination the Ice almost gone Joy go with it Boys returned from the Examination saying they were much improved no prize given as they were to be examined upon other parts which the Committee had not time to do this day –

The lower Wharfe sold by Auction – bought by  $M^r$  Mills for £60 –  $M^{rs}$  Stayner came and sat an hour –  $M^r$   $M^{rs}$  & Master Freeman arrived at Nine O'Clock at Night – came and slept here – she brought a paper of Tea  $2^{th}$  to H. O. Edmund &  $W^m$  Tench – C Sinclair – W Duff – T & J Stayner

45 May 1 Foster sent a man who put three Pains of Glass – charged 3/ – Man cut Wood, p<sup>d</sup> 3/ to them Mary, Jane & Eliza Hamilton – Eliza sat up with Helen with Catharine – Helen passed a better night –

M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken & Child – Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Niagara for medicine for Helen – got some Butter –

William & M<sup>rs</sup> \*\* died within 36 hours of each Other – he first so that she had it in her power to make her Will and leave her property to her Children – he was buried

by Masonic Honors – both in one grave – about five hundred Persons attended the funeral

A woman who has come to Queenston to join her Husband – was taken III & before her Husband could get a D<sup>r</sup> she was dead – and left three Children – M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> –

45 May 2 fine morn<sup>g</sup> – H. J. not so well to day – Helen easer has a high Fever a sore throat – M<sup>r</sup> Freeman gone to Buffalo – M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick passed through to to up in the Cars to the Falls – left a jar of Calfs Head soup for H. J. – Jarvis kept it till H.J. was nearly starved –

 $M^{rs}$  Freeman reading Martin Chuzzlewit to H.J. – H H H & wee August gone down to see Jane – returned to Dinner – had Pancakes – little Jessie thought she must help beat them – so put in her big arm to the elbow – little George Freeman eating a Pancake – refused to give it up to his Mother – he had no notion to part with what he liked – Ten Weeks to day since H. J. was taken ill – Old Crab went to Niagara to go over to Toronto – did not go – returned home – fell into Fits  $M^{rs}$  Stayner & Jane came up to H  $O^s$  to sit up with Helen – scarcely got into the House – when Jane was sent for to her Father –  $M^{rs}$   $J^r$  and Jane – H H H

45 May 2 Eliza all went down – it took M<sup>r</sup> Creighton – C Sinclair J & T Stayner and all the Women to hold Old Crab he had ten Fits one after the other – Alx<sup>r</sup> drove H. H. H & Wee Augusta to Niagara – to see the D<sup>r</sup> for Helen – they returned – and Alx<sup>r</sup> had to mount Pony and go for the D<sup>r</sup> for Old Crab – it was two O'Clock before Alx<sup>r</sup> came home – the D<sup>r</sup> said he Old Crab had been drinking – that the Fits were delireum Tremor – Old Crab slept the remainder of the Night – Helen had high Fever during the Night – but suffered little or no Pain – H. J. slept well – ate her soup in the Night

M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton – \*\* stayed with Jane all Night – The Woman that died day before yesterday – buried to day

- 3 Fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. rose about ten rather better than yesterday Sam M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up to see H. J. Mary Hamilton says her Father was quite well
- 45 May 3 Girls scrubbing Augusta sweeping Dusting & Baking Eliza at the Kitchen Alx<sup>r</sup> gone for M<sup>r</sup> Freemans Horse & Carriage for M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman and Augusta to go to Chippawa to see Maria Fitzg<sup>d</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick offered to send some Pigions that is all I will hear of them is my opinion the Ice went away a good deal last night the Old wretch Meg asked half a Dollar a Doz<sup>n</sup> for Turkey Eggs She may keep them for me H. J M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman & Augusta drove to Drummondville met M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> & Mater Fitz<sup>d</sup> turned back came home and dined M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman and M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came in the Cars all met at H. O.<sup>s</sup> & dined Sam M<sup>c</sup>Cormick was sent home to get his dinner M<sup>rs</sup> John Hamilton's gardener sent some Asparagus to H. O. H. J. ate some and returned
- 45 May 13 [sic]it Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis went over the River to change a p<sup>r</sup> of shoes for Eliza Fitz<sup>d</sup> & Freeman went over the River kept Dinner waiting at last they began Dinner when they made their appearance nor before the Asparagus was <del>all eaden</del> all eat and they dined at the Tavern & cooled their Beer with Ice M<sup>r</sup> Freeman drove M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick to Niagara Fitz<sup>d</sup> went to Chippawa took August with them she is to return tomorrow did not do after all –

Sat a Turkey on ten Eggs – Boys gone for their straw Hats – 2/ each – C Sinclair – T & J Stayner – W Duff – Mary Hamilton – D<sup>r</sup> Lowe Girls went with M<sup>rs</sup> Freemand to call on M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner & Creighton –

45 May 4 Sunday – morn<sup>g</sup> cloudy – some Rain about nine – Freemans set off for Hamilton – left Augusta with us – H. J. very sick all day, with debility – M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton – Rain in the ev<sup>g</sup> – J & T Stayner W Tench – C Sinclair – the day cold and comfortable Jane & Eliza & Mary – every body complaining of being

sleepy – Mary slept a greater part of the Day – H. J. did not get up at all – except to have her bed made –

- 5 very fine morn<sup>9</sup> cold north Wind Ice still in the River S. P. Jarvis called to see H. J gave H. O. ten Dollars returned by the Chief Justice Jane & Eliza drove Pony to Niagara H. O. sent for Biscuit and Oranges, and Fish H. J. able to sit up to day but not to eat or keep any thing on her stomach –
- 45 May 14 [sic] H. J. set H. O.<sup>s</sup> work table to rights -

M<sup>r</sup> Wilson – Miss Jessie Ross – Julia Hamilton – & Mary J Stayner drank Tea here – T. Stayner – C Sinclair – M<sup>r</sup> Creighton – Louisa Stayner – Harry Creighton – Jane Hamilton – J. Stayner shooting the Catterpillars nest off the Trees – Caroline gone to M<sup>rs</sup> Stevens for Butter came back without it – A Child died at Uromans with Scarlet Fever – two more very sick with it –

Girls went to walk on the Bank -

- X Sat a Turkey on Eight Eggs which made her very proud H. J. ate some stewed Veal and did not throw it up felt much better for it as it took off that craving or heaving at the stomach and drank a little Beer which also remained Old Crab went over to Toronto in Chief Justice to consult D<sup>r</sup> Hamilton in is health –
- 45 May 6 Fine morn<sup>g</sup> warm out of Doors cold within Herbert complaining Helen very Weak past a terrible Night H. J. ate her Breakfast and parted with some of it Am washing Girls rincing and hanging out Jessie caught a reptile in her Childs Head where it came from is unaccountable there being none of its Race in the House the circumstance gave a great alarm to the Elders and set the Combs & Brushes in full opperation as a detection to the Vile intruders Ice still on the sides of the River Chief Justice came in brought M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson from Bond head M<sup>rs</sup> Rn remained with H. J M<sup>r</sup> Robinson returned to Toronto J & T Stayner W Tench C Sinclair Catharine & Jessie called on M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken who made herself scarce till they were leaving the House M<sup>rs</sup> Duff asked them to take off
- 45 May 6 Bonnets and stay Tea M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken was silent so they returned to Tea Jane Hamilton
  - a dreary morn<sup>9</sup> some Rain very little Ice on the American side of the River H. J.
     passed a good Night Helen no sleep Herbert a hot Fever better this morn<sup>9</sup> H.
     J kept her Breakfast Eliza Robinson gone to bed with the head ache–

Catharine Robert arrived from Hamilton with her Child & Servant – stays with Jane – brought some Lard from Cathy Freeman & an Ham from  $M^{rs}$  Robertson to H. O. – Girls ironing – Cath $^n$  & Augusta gone to see  $M^{rs}$  Tench – drank Tea there Edmund &  $W^m$  walker home with them –

- 45 May 7 M<sup>rs</sup> & J Stayner – Jane stayed here all Night Eliza here in the Ev<sup>g</sup> H. J. kept very little on her stomach this day slept well Helen passed a bad Night suffering severe Pain in her Chest & shoulders Frost killed the cucumber vines in M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Miltons Garden Jessie had Letter from Amherstburgh Major Lockhlin called on Jessie
  - 8 fine cool morn<sup>g</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson better H. J slept well lost all her Breakfast had a natural Motion nearly the first since her illness Old Crab borrowed Pony to go to Niagara Mary H<sup>n</sup> here before any one was up much Ice remains on the banks of the River Jessie wrote to Amhertsburgh & H H H also Cath<sup>n</sup> Eliza and Augusta walked down to I Hamiltons got a few
- 45 May 8 asparagus M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in the Chief Justice and returned brought some Calfs foot jelly also some from M<sup>rs</sup> Jarvis George Jarvis S. P. Jarvis lost his situation as Indian Superintendant George Jarvis going on

the 10<sup>th</sup> to Boston – to find some employment – W. Jarvis going to England to study Law in the Temple

M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner – M<sup>rs</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton & Jane went over the River to see M<sup>rs</sup> Whitney – H. J. had an indifferent Night – Helen very ill – had a Blister on her Chest – has some ease some ease towards morn<sup>9</sup> – J. Stayner – M<sup>r</sup> Gouly Cox

M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton sat a couple of hours – Jane R<sup>n</sup> Caroline & Emma went to spend the afternoon at M<sup>rs</sup> Creightons – Herbert complaining –

- 45 May 9 H. J. very far from well a restless Night a fine morn<sup>g</sup> chilly M<sup>rs</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson gone to Browns to purchase some Cotton M<sup>rs</sup> R<sup>t</sup> H asked for Port Wine & sugar for her Child and got it Herbert better Jessie threatened with Ague little Jessie cut an eye tooth & a stomach tooth Eleven Weeks has H. J. been confined to her Room and a greater part to her Bed M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner came in for a few minutes J & T Stayner C Sinclair Sandy Duff came down from Amherstburgh was here for a short time H H. H. Eliza & Augusta went down to Janes & drank Tea there Jane sat up with Helen who passed a bad Night H. J. took Oil it worked well she slept
- 45 May 9 well ate some asparagus -
  - A fine morn<sup>g</sup> warm can have the Door open the Hamiltons are about commencing to repair the Wharfe carried away and damaged by the Ice M<sup>rs</sup>
     Robinson wrote to her Husband H. J. Breakfasted on Herring and kept most part if it Helen ate some Potato's did not like the Fish

Alx<sup>r</sup> drove M<sup>rs</sup> R<sup>t</sup> to Stamford with her Child and Servant – J & T Stayner – C Sinclair

Old Crab began the Wharfe – owing to the great quantity of Ice and it thickness could only cut a Waggon width to the Water – little Eliza sat up with Helen and big Eliza – Helen did not sleep or lay down during the Night

[vertical at left of page] HO put on her new calico Frock

- 45 May 10 H J passed a restless Night from the great Heat -
  - Sunday a very fine morn<sup>g</sup> oppressive & Hot through the Day H. J. parted with her Breakfast kept her jelly on her stomach also some Rice Pudding & a piece of sponge Cake sat up till much fatigued read & heard read the Lesson for the Day Whitsunday Jessie wrote to M<sup>r</sup> Duff T Stayner C Sinclair Sandy & W. Duff –

John Guernsey came for Fire – Girls gone to walk on the Bank – Jane Hamilton– Helen complaining of pain in her Chest and shoulders – M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson walking on the Upper Veranda – drank her Tea in haste

45 May 11 H. J. not so well in the morn<sup>g</sup> – a little better in the Ev<sup>g</sup> – M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson gone to walk with Cath<sup>n</sup> on the Bank – <u>Sandy staying</u> at M<sup>rs</sup> <u>Easthams Tavern</u> – <u>strange</u> enough

Cath<sup>n</sup> met T<sup>k</sup> F<sup>h</sup> and walked about the Bank – while the rest of the Party walked an other way <u>strange break</u> off – frequent meetings and solitary promenades – Edmund Tench – C Sinclair – J & T Stayner – Sandy & W Duff – M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton

- 12 Very fine morn<sup>g</sup> a shower very warm H. J over come with the Heat quite unwell in the
- 45 May 12 the morn<sup>g</sup> better in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Helen better during the day M<sup>r</sup> Munrow from Amherstburgh with a Letter for Jessie –

 $M^{rs}$   $M^{c}$ Micken and Children – Miss Sherborn Eliza & Augusta went down to Janes – Old Crab very sick – kept his Bed most of the day –  $M^{c}$ Phersons killed our White Gobbler – because he went into his Premises – a good natured action for a Neighbour – T Stayner – C Sinclair – Jane

- A fine morn<sup>g</sup> very warm not so warm as yesterday Peter Hunter Hamilton called wonders will never cease he is about selling his Farm and moving to an other House he returns to
- 45 May 13 Hamilton by the Queen Augusta wrote to Cathy by him The Chief & Lucan came in rather late S<sup>t</sup> H. H lost his Passage M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson went in the little Ferry boat on board the Chief Justice to go to Niagara Alx<sup>r</sup> drove his Mother to Niagara they left home at q<sup>tr</sup> past six past ten when they returned she saw the D<sup>r</sup> who promised to be up by ten in the morn<sup>g</sup> C Sinclair is playing Music for Jessie J Stayner Sandy Duff had his Trunk with all his Clothes and Money stolen C Sinclair lost at the same time Eighty Dollars –

[there is no entry dated May 14 but no pages seem to be missing from the sequence]

A5 May 15 Rainy Morn<sup>g</sup> – H. J ate her Breakfast and kept a part of it – Helen not in so much pain – Eliza Robinson bought and made two Flannel Peticoats for H. J. and gave her a nice dressing Gown – Many thanks to her – Also a piece of pointed Cambrick to the Girls for Frocks 6 Pr stockings each – a piece of white Cotton to H. O. – M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent to enquire after the sick – Jane sat up with Helen – Mary Hamilton – Catharine & Augusts walked down to M<sup>rs</sup> J Hamiltons for some asparagus – J Stayner accompanied them – Sandy Duff took Tea here – W Duff H. J had a very sick turn about six in the Ev<sup>g</sup> – took Oil – it had no effect – slept well– 45 May 15 the afternoon fine – and cold – the Night cold enough for Frost –

16 – Twelve Weeks since H. J. has been confined to her Room

A fine morn<sup>g</sup> – so cold that we had to have a Fire – H. J. feels herself very Weak – Helen crying with Pain – R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton has Pony & Carriage to go to Niagara – Maria Fitz<sup>d</sup> & Son – she went in to see Helen – it had such an effect on her – that she had a Fit –

Maria brought a present to Catharine of two prs of stockings – to H H H One handsome Calico Frock – to Eliza Cotton for a Peticoat – to Helen a bonnet Cap – to Augusta a pr of Gloves – to little Jessie a Doll – She lunched & dined here then returned to Chippawa – taking Augusta with her –

- 45 May 16 M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton C Sinclair H. J. not well from taking Oil Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Niagara with Lewis Stayner did not return till twelve O'Clock brought some Medicine for Helen Helen had a bad night little Eliza and Hannah sat up with her Catharine slept with H. J. M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson a bad Pain in her side the Boats came to our side for the first time since the Ice left the River
  - 17 A fine day but too cold to prevent H J going on the Galery H. J. still poorly A C. H<sup>n</sup> returned from Chippawa at twelve Met Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> at the junction who came down with her to Queenston Cath<sup>n</sup> stayed at Janes came up here in the afternoon sat up with
- 45 May 17 Eliza with Helen Augusta slept with H. J. who took Oil very deliberate in its actions H. J. feels much better this Morn<sup>9</sup> lost all her Breakfast had some soup about twelve which remained on her stomach M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner called to say she was going to Niagara and would bring up any thing we wanted she brought some soup from Augusta for H. J which was very good Old M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick was so much Fatigued that she could not sleep for forty eight hours riding from the Falls to Niagara and M<sup>rs</sup> Tench sent a pat of her delightful Butter to H.
  - X O. and a dozen Galina Eggs a prize 18<sup>h</sup> Sat on then on Galina Eggs M<sup>r</sup>
     Robinson called on M<sup>rs</sup> W. B. Robinson Mary Jane & Eliza Hamilton Maria gave Augusta a work Box
- 45 May 17 Augusta bought a pr of Boots for 10/- D<sup>r</sup> Lowe T. Stayner Joseph Hamilton Andrew Geddes H. J. finished knitting a garter J Stayner T Stayner Oiled the hinges of the Doors Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Mill for the Flour and got it

- 18 Sunday A fine Morn<sup>g</sup> Chilly H. J. is prevented going out on the Galery again Alx<sup>r</sup> going to Niagara with his Aunt Robinson
  - Sat a hen en Galina Eggs M<sup>r</sup> Munnac called on Jessie Mary Hamilton Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> H. H H Jane & little Eliza gone over the River to Ev<sup>g</sup> Church returned to Tea Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> and Mary drank Tea here Alx<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson came back at five all well at Niagara Joseph Hamilton
- 45 May 18 M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton came to see H.J. J & T Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sick kept her bed all day Sandy taken III at M<sup>r</sup> Guernseys with Scarlet Fever Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to Stamford for Cath<sup>ns</sup> R<sup>ts</sup> Nurse & Child –

Jane & Cath<sup>n</sup> sat up with Helen – who was very restless – H. J. woke frequently choking with Phlegm – Jessie received a Note from C Duff – Alx<sup>r</sup> Duff being up at Sandwich –

Augusta C H went down to Janes – H H H took a plate of Pudding to Jane & Eliza – and ran away because she saw company there – and her Hair was not so smothe as she thought it ought to be – Some Pain in the Night – Cath<sup>n</sup> & T<sup>h</sup> had an other \*\*

45 May 19 Monday – very fine mild Morn<sup>g</sup> – H. J. ate her Breakfast and retained it – dressed and went out on the Viranda – began knitting – wrote some – found it very warm – Helen complaining Augusta dusting my Room – H. O. washing Helen and dressing her – Caroline gone for Soap and to the Post Office – Boys at school –

Ann washing here – M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner took a Note to D<sup>r</sup> Lowe – he told her that Helen could not live long – She called up on her way back

Joseph Hamilton – J & T Stayner – C Sinclair – W Duff – C Sinclair & Sandy Duff – heard of their stolen Clothes – and are likely to recover some of them

[vertical in left margin of page] Dr Lowe sent H. J. two bottles of Ale -

- 45 May 19 a gang of black and white <u>Gentlemen</u> were the depradators – one was conducted to Prison – a black to have his Tryal – where in all probability his Sentence will be free quarters in the Penitentiary – it is to be hoped for so long a time – as will teach him a Trade – where with to earn his Bread without Robbing his neighbours

Young Chrisler one of his associates cleared out as soon as he heard his black friend was taken up – and if he has good luck will shortly visit the States Penitentiary – the Americans not using much ceremony on those who transgress the Laws of their Country – Some Rain in the Afternoon – H.J. had to return into the House as it was thought the Wind was too cold for her – she took Oil – which cooled the Fever – slept well –

- 45 May 19 Helen had a restless Night little Eliza and Hannah sat up with Helen Augusta spilt my soup – while warming it in the Night – and had to go for more – fortunately there was more –
  - 20 Fine morn<sup>g</sup> rather cold H. H. cannot go out on the Viranda Oil acted tolerably feels better this morn<sup>g</sup> no Fever as yet walked round the Bed by herself for the first time in twelve Weeks M<sup>rs</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton all busy ironing baking sweeping dusting &c–

H H H and Catharine drank tea with  $M^{rs}$  Stayner – Cath<sup>n</sup> Rt – Jane & Eliza drank tea at  $M^{rs}$  Stayners – C Sinclair – T Stayner walked home with the Girls – W. Tench brought a pr of Pigions for H. J. –  $D^r$  Lowe is of opinion that Helen may linger on for a time – or drop off in a moment

- 45 May 20 Transit came over to commence her daily Trips between Toronto & Queenston for the summer – Mary Hamilton – Augusta C. H. received a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Freeman – wishing her to return immediately to her school – Helen had an other restless Night – H. J. slept well – Jane & Eliza sat up with Helen
  - 21 an other fine morn<sup>9</sup> rather cool not thought advisable for H. J to go out H. J. ate some buttered Toast it did not agree with her she will not transgress again

washed & dressed and got up – walked to her Chair felt fatigued – more so than yesterday – Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> – M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent H. J. a piece of sponge cake M<sup>rs</sup> Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> went to Niagara with M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner –

M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> & Children – W. B. Robinson – dined here and took Eliza on to St Catharines –

- 45 May 21 M<sup>rs</sup> Whitney M<sup>rs</sup> Barton M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton drank tea here Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> returned from Niagara & dined and drank Tea here M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner Nurse and C<sup>hrn</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Child Jessie wrote to her Husband I hope giving him a good scolding for writing such short Letters Mary & Lydia Guernsey J & T Stayner C Sinclair W<sup>m</sup> Tench M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks heard the Vessel that Charles was in had arrived at Boston
  - 22 Cloudy a little Rain– Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> came up early to see if Augusta was ready they both Child & Servant & Baggage went down to the Wharf to go on Board Necessity is no Law We must part Augusta had prolonged her Visit much beyond the time expected and was of course losing her school;

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- 45 May 23 very hard in the Night for the Breast did not get it consider her as weaned –
   Eliza slept with H. J. H H H sat up with Helen 13 Weeks since H. J. fell ill
  - a fine morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. ate Fish for her Breakfast parted with most of it dressed and got up does not feel too well Helen rather easier S. P. Jarvis came over in the Chief Justice & returned W. B. & M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson came up in Chief Justice to say good bye before their return to Bond head M<sup>rs</sup> R gave Eliza a Frock and H. O twenty Dollars to assist in providing for her sick Mother M<sup>r</sup> Robinson promised to let my Lots in Clerk on these conditions for clearing 25 acres on each hundred fencing putting a Horse up & paying the Taxes they are to have the use three years
- 45 May 24 then to pay two Dollars an Acre yearly he W. B. R. is authorised to collect the Rent from Sullivan for half a year it being six pounds five 6<sup>d</sup> and remit it to H. J. if Living other wise to H O. H H O drove Jessie to Niagara Jessie bought her Child a hat herself a pr of shoes they proved to be odd ones and did not fit her M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizer lent H. J a pr of Knitting Needles they returned by six O'Clock nearly frozen M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner came and sat some time in the afternoon H.J so tired she was obliged to lie down Alx<sup>r</sup> went over the River for Tea they took up a Man at Lewiston who had hooked a basket of Clothes and was making the best of his way to Canada with his Prize M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Nab called to see Rob she appeared much distressed about her Daughter Kathy –

R<sup>t</sup> H came to Niagara and sent for his Daughters

- 45 May 24 Jane & Eliza he being too ill to reach Queenston H. O. bought a Calfs head & feet and part of the Liver at Ferry 2/ T Stayner sent five Herring to H. J M<sup>rs</sup> Willowby arrived from England
  - Sunday a fine Morn<sup>g</sup> very cold for the season H. J. slept well Helen had a very restless Night H. J. parted with her Breakfast washed & dressed and got up Jane & Eliza sent to borrow the Horse and Waggon to go to Niagara to see their Father Mary Hamilton the Ice has left the Canada side at last and left its influence upon the Air M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizer sent a Frock for one of the Girls –

Helen like one from the Grave – walked by assistance into my Room and remained all day – perfectly sane & without pain – except a little in her head & slept tolerable during the Night – occasionally flighty – had a cold chill

45 May 25 in the Night, then a little Fever – H. J slept well – her Oil relieved her throwing up for a time – Mary – Jane – Eliza & Julia were here Mary spent the day – Edmund Tench – C Sinclair – J. Stayner – Sandy Duff – W<sup>m</sup> – H H H & Eliza went to walk –

Eliza and Julia brought the Horse & Waggon home about six – reported that their Father was very III in Niagara – and was under the care of  $D^r$  Lowe – who had blistered his Back on both sides the back bone – he requires two of the Girls to take care of him all the time – is at  $M^r$  Rosses – poor Girls they have a hard time of it – he is so weak that he cannot stand on his Legs – he falls in the attempt – some Rain in the Night –

- X The lost white Turkey returned with twelve young ones, all White –
- May 26 A dull morn<sup>9</sup> Anne Washing the Old Cow making Bag Cunning M<sup>r</sup> Bland to offer \$20
- 45 May 26 for her for Beef as she w<sup>d</sup> not calve this five Months he no doubt wished to have the Breed at a cheap rate – H. O was not of his opinion and would not part with her M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton spent the afternoon and drank Tea here M<sup>r</sup> Creighton came up for her they gave us a song on the Upper Galery C Sinclair played on the Flute in the Ev<sup>g</sup> T Stayner brought H. J. four wild Pigions Mary Hamilton spent the day here Jane Eliza & Julia Jane & Louisa Ross drank Tea here some one turned in a black and white Cow on our Meadow T Stayner turned them out Alx<sup>r</sup> & H. H. H took a ride on Horse back Jarvis went a fishing caught two Herring H. J. sat out on the Veranda first time for more than a Week slept not well Helen in considerable pain during the Night slept some –
- 45 May 27 a fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. dressed and got out on the Viranda did not feel refreshed by her nights sleep parted with her Breakfast M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> & Master Fitz<sup>d</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> brought H. J two Pigions M<sup>r</sup> Peel M<sup>r</sup> Tench & M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Donald ran a Race for \$20 M<sup>r</sup> Tench won one M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Donald the other M<sup>r</sup> Peel ran against M<sup>r</sup> Donald's Pony Sandy Duff J & T Stayner C Sinclair Hugh Richardson M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> drank Tea here and did not leave till after Nine We heard that an English Gentleman had purchased Stamford Park and was going to build upon it immediately–

Peter Hamilton's place advertised for sale by Lottery R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton no better nor likely to be for nine days – Jane went down with M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner to see him – took Louisa Ross home – came up here after her return –

- 45 May 27 Mary came up to stay put her Basket into the House and walked down to the Guernseys where she stayed until near Eight O'Clock Helen was easy most part of the Day H. J. had Fever all day mended a Towel and finished a Garter Herbert spent the Day at M<sup>rs</sup> Creightons H. J. took Oil
  - 28 Cloudy morn<sup>9</sup> appearance of Rain H. J. Oil opperated four times no appetite for her Breakfast threw up her Tea Helen past a good night H O. lost a five Dollar Bill –

The Heiffer spent the Night in M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup> Phearsons Pasture

- [in left margin] X She will come in Feby 46 sharp Lightning – heavy Thunder – showers during the day – Rain in the Night – Mary & Jane came
- 45 May 28 up to Mangle a bottle of Calfs foot Jelly from M<sup>rs</sup> S. P. Jarvis H. J. took some of it but it came up again she kept nothing on her stomach during the Day felt quite exhausted at Night Helen passed a good Night no one sat up with her her Bowel complaint returned C Sinclair T Stay<sup>r</sup>
  - 29 A dull cloudy cold comfortless morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. ate Pap for her Breakfast and kept it passed a good night took a little white Wine Washed & dressed and got up at half past Nine Augusta M<sup>c</sup>Cormick & her son Samuel came up brought three Wild Pigions a dozen smoked Herring for H. J. Eliza went to see Abigail Guernsey –
- 45 Aug 29Mary Hamilton drank Tea here Jane H<sup>n</sup> J Stayner C. Sinclair H. J. took Oil it acted well Helen was restless but no one sat up with her H. O. sent for a bottle

of Ginger-beer for H. J. – R<sup>t</sup> H<sup>n</sup> something better – Jane gone down to stay and Eliza has come up in her place – Jolly M<sup>c</sup>Nabb – a hard Frost –

30 – 14 Weeks since H. J. was taken ill a very fine morn<sup>9</sup> – cold Wind – H. J. is not allowed to go out on the Gallery – Helen passed a restless night no one sat up with her – A schooner at the lower lower Wharfe – the first this season – owing to the destruction made by the Ice – Jane came M<sup>c</sup> Nabb –

Eliza walked up to see M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner & Creighton – H H H slept with little Eliza – Jessie received a

- 45 May 30 Letter from her Husband H. O. drove Jessie to St Davids for yest J. Stayner C Sinclair Helen had no watchers this Night Eliza & Caroline crying nearly all Night with tooth ache
  - 31 A fine morn<sup>g</sup> rather cold H. O. & Jessie drove by Jarvis Alx<sup>r</sup> riding the Mare Jess to Niagara Jessie had a Letter from her Husband money Letters a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Freeman & Augusta with six skeins of netting silk –

H.O. returned – Charles M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came Home gave H. O some beautiful shells – Carved – Whales Teeth – Sea Weed &c – H. O – brought several things for the House & H. J. Julia Hamilton – Jessie & Louisa Ross – J Stayner – C Sinclair –

- 45 May 31 Helen mending in Health wonderfully H. J. could not keep anything on her stomach this day felt very Weak in consequence constantly spitting up Phlegm during the Night
  - **X** A turkey brought out ten young ones
- June 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

A fine morn<sup>9</sup> – H. J. in hopes of going out on the Viranda – feels very faint and Weak – H. O. & Jessie going over the River to Church – H H H and the Boys also – they went to see M<sup>rs</sup> Cornwall who is dying with Dropsy – an old Servant of H. O. – M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton and Child & servant – C Sinclair – J Stayner – Hugh Richardson – Sandy & W Duff – Mary & Julia Hamilton – Louisa Ross – H. J. went out on the Viranda in the afternoon – Helen also – and went down to Tea – the after part of the day

- 45 June 1 quite warm H. J. took Oil it acted in a short time Black cow calved to our delight a Heiffer which is to be raised
  - A fine morn<sup>g</sup> clouded up about Ten with appearance of Rain Ann Washing H. J threw up most of her Breakfast felt much fatigued after it and after dressing took some Ale feeling very faint Helen a bad head-ache H. O. making Cakes for the Boys to take to their <u>invited</u> Tea Party a new Idea for People to go to an invited Party and be requested to furnish themselves with Tea, Sugar and eatables had it because
- 45 June 2 a Picnic every one would have known what they had to do Alx<sup>r</sup> went and bought two Bottles of Ginger Beer – at 1<sup>d</sup> a Bottle – provided the Bottles, Corks and Strings were returned – H.O. bought some Herring this morn<sup>g</sup> –

Charles & Mary M<sup>c</sup>Cormick – Charles left his cane here – they had a Lunch and returned in Chief Justice – Cath<sup>n</sup> and Hannah walked to see M<sup>rs</sup> Tench – drank Tea there – Edmund walked home with them – Jessie read to us the Wandering Jew – the Boys gone to their Tea-party – were marched about Town – to teach them the soldiers step

The Tea Table looked very well – some of the Boys thought they could not get enough Of the good things

on the Table – so had their Plates heaped up till no more could be put on – when they produced their Pocket-handkerchiefs to secure their Prizes – this not being sufficient their Pockets were called in to requisition – much to the amusement of the

Boys – no Rain – Eliza H H H and Julia went to see the Tea Table – Eliza slept with Julia – Ev<sup>9</sup> very warm –

- very fine morn<sup>g</sup> the Night very warm and Close H. J. ate her Breakfast and kept the most part of it did not feel very well after it got out to the Gallery very pleasant Helen improving in health Boys sent for the Plates & Dishes from
- 45 June 3 the Party M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken asked why their sister did not come yesterday saying they were asked to which the Boys replied it was the first that they had heard of it He M<sup>c</sup>Micken sent a few sugar-plums and Raisins to the Children Caroline Emma & Herbert Jarvis, Caro & Emma gone gather strawberries Alx<sup>r</sup> to St Davids for the Carriage M<sup>r</sup> Cox M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Boomer Julia Hamilton Louisa Ross Jessie Julia H<sup>n</sup> Louisa Ross & Herbert gone to Niagara Alx<sup>r</sup> found the Trunk that Augusta Hamilton sent down at M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Mickens it had been travelling backward & forward from Toronto to Queenston since the 31<sup>st</sup> May altho it had been sent for daily –
- 45 June 3 Jessie drove Jane up brought a dozen pint Bottles of Ale paid 7/6 for them Mary Hamilton drank tea here Jane H<sup>n</sup> J Stayner Charles Sinclair Sandy & the Richardsons with some Musicians came and sat on the lower steps and played for an hour or two Ann Guernsey drank tea here and taught H. O & \*\* to knit lace Phoebe Guernsey playing with the Children Cath<sup>n</sup> & Hannah went over the River with M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton and M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner J & Sinclair A race ran between F Tench and Fitz<sup>d</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> won M<sup>r</sup> Peel ran an other and lost

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- 45 June 3 and Bets Helen still mending H. J. kept very little on her stomach this day feels very faint in consequence drank some ginger Beer threw it up again tryed some Ale kept a part down Ate some soup going to bed retained a part a very warm Night Baking
  - 4 A fine morn<sup>g</sup> little wind sultry Alx<sup>r</sup> sick Jarvis at school Ann got half Pail of Milk this morn<sup>g</sup> the Cows Bag still hard Ironing Jessie & H. H. H gone to call on M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken H. H. H June & J Stayner drove up to Stanford called
- 45 June 4 at the Boyds did not come home till Ten W Duff C Sinclair two Gentlemen from Amherstburgh H. J. went to bed at Sunset half starved could not keep any thing on her stomach took Oil it acted freely Helen mending Alx<sup>r</sup> suffering with Head-ache & tooth Ache –
- June 5 fine morn<sup>g</sup> quite cool H. J sat on the Viranda part of the Day H. O complained of the Cold had to go into the House Carlo crying with tooth ache Jessie reading the Wandering Jew M<sup>rs</sup> Cornwel died this morn<sup>g</sup> by Dropsy Jane dined here –
- 45 June 5 Emma gone to M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners H. O. & Jessie going to Niagara. Alx<sup>r</sup> driving Jarvis driving H. O bought some horrid Cheese & some red Herring between nine and ten when they returned C. Sinclair J Stayner Carolines new Frock finished –
- 6 H. J. fifteen Weeks confined to her Room fine morng began raining at about Eleven showery during the Day cleared off in the Afternoon Jessie, H. H H & Jane walked up to see M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Ann commenced to teach the Calf to drink it drank very well Jessie trimmed her Bonnet Emma's new blue Frock finished H H H slept with Jane T. J Stayner –
- 45 June 7 fine morn<sup>9</sup> Rain at nine Jane Ann M<sup>c</sup>Nabb called to say her sister Kathy
  Cornwalls remains was to be interred at ten O'Clock this morng and ask H.\*\* to
  attend the Rain prevented her going H. J. ate a slice of Bread and a little Pork for
  Breakfast and did not throw it up felt very sick for some time after rising some

- thunder Jessie & Catharine gone to Tea with Jane Mary Hamilton M<sup>r</sup> Creighton sent for Tallow Anne Guernsey came to show H. O. how to knit Lace Sinclair J & T Stayner Jane Hamilton H H H slept with Jane cleared up in the afternoon
- 8 Sunday very fine Windy extremely Warm H. J received a jug of Calfs foot Jelly from Toronto
- 45 June 8 Jame Hamilton Mary & Jane Hamilton dined here Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis sent over the River with John Guernsey H. H. H drove Jane Caroline & Emma to Niagara drank Tea at M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks Charles ordered to join his Whaling ship with as much speed as possible H H H returned about nine brought little Eliza up R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton not so well H. J wrote to Augusta & M<sup>r</sup> Freeman found herself much fatigued with heat and writing the Night very warm towards morng a little cooler Edmund & W Tench Sandy & W Duff T Stayner Hugh Richardson M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton –
- 9 very fine a good Wind which caused us to feel the heat less H. J. ate her Breakfast it nearly all came up she felt very sick for some time when she was relieve by a 45 June 9 natural motion the second since her Illness - H. O. drove Jessie & Child & Hellen & Herbert to Coopers Ann Washing H. H H dusting the bed rooms and washing the Closet & washstand Cath<sup>n</sup> & Caroline went over the River to change a pr shoes could not get a pr left the ones she had M<sup>rs</sup> Mercer & Miss Chewet called Jessie got a Letter from her Husband saying she must to Home M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Mercer M<sup>rs</sup> Rankin & Miss Chewet drank Tea here J Stayner H. J. not well throwing up every thing M<sup>r</sup> Hagner sent some news Papers for H. J. to read Miss Clement and the Children climing the Willow Tree Little Eliza H H H slept with little Eliza very warm in the Night R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton rather better -
- 10 morn<sup>9</sup> fine warm H. J. eat no breakfast threw up her
- 45 June 10 Tea had a natural Passage the third in fifteen Weeks H. J. cannot eat to day
   Girls Ironing Ann finishing washing H. J. finished Jessies recipes she said
   she was well pleased Jessie began to quilt the Cot Counterpane M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner began to rain about eight rained all Night little Eliza J Stayner
  - fine morn<sup>g</sup> clouded up in the Middle of the Day damp H. J. did not go out on the Galery till the afternoon mended some Towels read some in Self control felt very unwell during the day kept very little on her stomach this day faint for the want of it Mary & little Eliza Hamilton J Stayner C Sinclair Catharine Jessie & child went to Tea with M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner little Jessie cryed all the
- 45 June 11 way home Rained all Night Wind very high H. O. wrote to Mary Jarvis & Eliza Robinson – Thunder & lightning –
  - 12 cloudy morn<sup>g</sup> H. O & Jessie going to Niagara Ten O'Clock the sun came out H.J on the Gallery Read her Bible H. O & Jessie went to Niagara called at M<sup>rs</sup> Boomers Rosses M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks & D<sup>r</sup> Lowes he not at home bought sundry things for the House J Stayner & M<sup>rs</sup> Obrion Mangling M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Children went strawberrying got none
  - Sixteen Weeks since H. J. was confined to her Room a fine morng Augusta M<sup>c</sup>Cormick & Charles S. P. Jarvis have H. O. ten Dollars a timely supply S. P. J. went to Toronto in the Chief Justice Catharine Jessie & \*\* drove to Chippawa dined at Fitz<sup>d</sup> –
- 45 June 13 Mary & Eliza Hamilton J. T. Stayner C Sinclair M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton H. J. very unwell much pain in her Back no appetite faint for want of some-thing to stay on her stomach Wind rose in the afternoon H. J had to retreat into the House a Box from Eliza Robinson containing pr stays 4 Frocks three shawls lace & some new stuff for things -

- Morn<sup>9</sup> fine H. J went on the Gallery took Oil felt very sick all day half staved could not eat her stomach rejecting every thing spirits very low Oil acted very well felt better ate an Herring it remained on her stomach Mary & Julia Hamilton Julia Ross drank Tea here Edmund Tench J & T Stayner C. Sinclair M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Wm Tench & John Guernsey Miss Sayner H Stayner and the Children went strawberrying returned without any all drank Tea here –
- 45 June 14 M<sup>r</sup> John Hamilton Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis went over the River got two pounds of Tea two or three hundred People came over in the Chief on a party of pleasure all went up in Waggons at 3/ a head the Cars refusing to take them under 4/ the Party returned and crossed to Toronto in the Transit W Duff nearly killed by the stroke of a Waggon Tongue was insensible for a length of time A Letter from little Augusta to H. J. -
  - 15 Sunday fine morn<sup>g</sup> Wind east rather cool M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken with a card from M<sup>r</sup> Foot to Jessie saying he should have the Buffalo at four this afternoon some one turned out Horse out of the Field H. O. could not get to Church this morn<sup>g</sup> Boys gone in search of skins H J feels faint has some soup and ate did not remove
- 45 June 15 the faintness and debility Mary Hamilton to spend the Day in the absence of her sisters Boys found the Horse H. O Jessie & Boys going to Evg Church Jessie received a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Foot saying he was going up to Amherstburgh at ten Monday morn<sup>g</sup> too late for her to go James Hamilton H. O. returned from Church in the Rain which commenced about five d'cd not to get wet brought H. J. some Gingerbread from M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick H. J ate one and did not throw it up it did not sit easy on her stomach H. J. & H H H wrote to C A H James & John Hamilton drank Tea here Jane Hamilton H H H & Eliza & R<sup>t</sup> went to take a walk on the Bank J & T Stayner C Sinclair –
- 45 June 16 fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. kept her Breakfast two Herring and a Cracker dressed and had a natural Motion felt much fatigued from dressing went on the Gallery wrote some Maria Fitz<sup>d</sup> called at an early hour on her way to Niagara H. O gone to Janes Caroline & Emma gone to Mrs Seacords & the Post Office with little Jessie Anne washing Catharine preparing to go to Kingston with her uncle John James & John Hamilton came up from Niagara brought Catharines Bonned not in time to get it trimmed to go with her Uncle this day Jessie went to work and trimmed the Bonnet Cath<sup>n</sup> ready to start with Morn<sup>g</sup> Boat Hugh Richardson Sandy C Sinclair J Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> Mary & Jane Hamilton
- 45 June 16 received a Rose from S. P. Jarvis with a Cheese & six bottles of Wine Cheese very indifferent not good rich English Cheese which H J wanted H. J. did not feel well her Back was painful all day H. J. read some & Knit a garter which she gave Jessie Rain by showers during the day H. H. H spent the afternoon with Jane
  - fine morn<sup>9</sup> cold wind Norwest Cath<sup>n</sup> just going on Board the Transit for Toronto on her Way to Kingston Jessie & H. H H ironing baking Caro<sup>ne</sup> gone to Post Office Jessie finished the Cot quilt for little Freeman H H H Jane & J Stayner drove Pony to Niagara to get H H H Bonnet cleaned took Cloaks &c (that were borrowed of M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick on Sunday) home
- 45 June 17 called at the Rosses say R<sup>t</sup> H<sup>n</sup> he said he was better Miss Lockhart Married to M<sup>r</sup> Smith very rich five years older than her Father she not sixteen <u>Winter</u> and <u>Summer</u> set off for New York immediately on a pleasure trip after a sumptious Lunch Miss Kiswick found the king in the Cake it is said she is to be the next on the list of Marriages not quite so youthful a Bride Miss M<sup>c</sup>Cormick was one of the guests M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup>s Creighton C Sinclair Hugh Richardson Sandy Duff Mary Ham<sup>n</sup> spent part of the Day here H. H. H. slept with Jane

- H. J. had not to take Oil to day joyful news Jane Hamilton H. J. much fatigued went to bed at sunset spitting Night H. O. went over the Hives bought 45 June 17 some good Cheese far before that that came from Toronto altho the one English the other American
  - 18 fine mild morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. made her Toilette & rose at nine felt very feeble ate some Cheese and a Biscuit went on the Gallery felt very sick drank a little Ale read in the Bible after in self Controle not well Caroline gone to Post Office H. O. H H H Eliza Mangling

No Oil for H. J. this day – M<sup>rs</sup> Mills from St Catharines D<sup>r</sup> Harrison Dentist dined here – he came to arrange H. O<sup>s</sup> Teeth – they left about three for Home – M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton – C Sinclair – J Stayner – W Duff – Edmund Tench – Jane Hamilton – H H H slept with Jane – H J. felt very unwell during the Day –

- 45 June 19 Very fine morn<sup>g</sup> mild H. J. got on the Gallery felt very unwell in the morn<sup>g</sup> better at twelve read the Bible after read self Controle No Oil to day H. O. Jessie Baby Jarvis & Caroline drove to Niagara returned at Nine M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken & Daughter C Sinclair H. J. not well very tired went to bed at sun set restless all night
  - 20 fine morn<sup>g</sup> Mild H J. going out on the Gallery Seventeen Weeks confined to her Room – wasting away without Pain – thankful for all God Mercies – feels very languid this morn<sup>g</sup> – continued through the day – Augusta M<sup>c</sup>Cormick and her son Sam<sup>l</sup> came to see H. J. – returned in the Chief Justice –
- 45 June 20 C Sinclair T Stayner Edmund & Miss Tench H. O. sick with spasms in the Stomach Caroline with sick head ache and pain in the stomach Caro<sup>ne</sup> went to the Post Office for Letters none H. J. sent M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman a Cotonquill by C Sinclair he did not go this day Some Rain in the Night -
- 21 an other fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. better this morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. rather better Caroline better Emma gone to Post Office returned without any Letters M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Michen Miss Nichol called for a few minutes H. O. Jessie Alx<sup>r</sup> Emma & Baby drove to St Catharines Jessie had two Teeth extracted they had given her much pain for a long time & were ulcerated at the Root she had two more that ought to have come out, but could not stand the Pain a jug of Calfs foot Jelly from M<sup>rs</sup> Jarvis to H. J 45 June 21 John Stayner Jane Hamilton H H H slept at Janes
  - Sunday fine morn<sup>g</sup> rather cool H. J. took Oil slept very little during the Night H. O received a Box from Kingston containing two loaves of sugar two Hams a box of Tea and a large piece of Cheese (English) most acceptable at this time money running low many thanks to M<sup>rs</sup> John Hamilton for the Box H H H Eliza Alx<sup>r</sup> & Jarvis gone to Stamford Church M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton's Child to be Christened returned about three –
- 45 June 22 J & T Stayner Sandy & W Duff Edmund & Miss Tench Mary & Eliza
   Hamilton H. O. & H H H wrote to Catharine H. H. H slept with Eliza H<sup>n</sup> some
   Rain H. J. slept better this night & Thunder -
  - Very fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. feels better this morn<sup>g</sup> She is out on the Veranda mild not much Wind –

 $M^{rs}$  Fraizor came up and brought some Gingerbread from Augusta  $M^{c}$ Cormick to H. J – returned in the Chief Justice – H. O – Jessie & Herbert drove to Chippawa to see Maria Fitz<sup>d</sup> – took a bottle of Cream to her – brought a Chicken and a few green Peas to H. J –

- 45 June 23 M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton T Stayner Mary & Eliza Hamilton drank Tea here J Stayner –
   W Tench a close uncomfortable Night Letter from Cath<sup>n</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> J Hamilton Ann Washing
  - Very warm Morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. overcome with the Heat throws up every thing this morn<sup>g</sup> feels very low spirited and sick at her stomach Children gone to the Post Office Boys at school Ann finishing washing H. O. cutting out shirts for the Boys Girls Ironing Clarance Creighton spending the day with Herbert M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton sent H. J. a piece of Christening Cake H. J. tryed to eat it threw it up instantly–
- 45 June 24 Eat some Chicken some green Peas & Pork all came up again Coffee also Coppied a Gingerbread Recipe for M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton finished Eliza's Garters began Emma's J & T Stayner H. O. & Jessie went to call on M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken were asked to tea for tomorrow H. H. H slept with little Eliza Eliza called to see Mary Guernsey who was sick half the night very warm the Wind rose and the ether cool & uncomfortable
  - 25 fine morn<sup>g</sup> cool Wind north West Girls ironing Transit gone out Children gone to M<sup>rs</sup> Tenches for Louisa to go to Niagara with H H H Caroline went to the Post Office no Letters Miss Tench walked
- 45 June 25 in with the Children H. H. H drove Miss Tench to Niagara Miss Tench bought a Bonnet they brought Jane back with them the Calf nearly choked by putting his head between the Pickets H. O. & the Jessies drank Tea with M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken H H H & Miss Tench drank Tea with Jane Boys trying to find where the Hogs come in Mary Jane & Eliza Hamilton came up in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Hugh Richardson Sandy Duff J & T Stayner. A warm night
  - 26 an other fine warm Morn<sup>g</sup> H. J rather Better ate some fish Coffee came up ate some soup most of it came up no Oil for H. J. to day good H. J. dressed and went on the Gallery found it very
- 45 June 26 warm read the <u>Bible</u> went to her knitting & finished the Garters for all the Family Jessie received a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Duff H. J received a Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman acknowledging the receipt of the Cot-quilt M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creen M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Boomer Miss Chesman Miss Jane Hamilton J & T Stayner W Duff H. H H slept with little Eliza Children went to gather Cherries at Uroman's H. H H & Jarvis went to take a ride on the Horse back Jane gone to Niagara to her Father
  - 27 fine morn<sup>g</sup> very warm H. J. out on the Gallery Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to Post Office to borrow one of Lewis's shirts to see how it is made H. O Jessie Alx<sup>r</sup> & Baby drove to Stamford Park Children gone to Uromans for Cherries Mary & little Eliza drank Tea
- 45 June 27 here C. Sinclair J & T Stayner -
  - Eighteen weeks since H J. took to her Room the Eliza's went with W Duff to take a Row cloudy a little Rain H. J. feels very wretchedly low spirited this morn<sup>9</sup> and very sick scarce able to sit up so dark that she could scarce see to read the Bible no Letters for Jessie Boys drew Water from the River and washing the Carriage Showery during the Day R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton came up from Niagara in a Waggon altho' so damp and unfavorable for a sick Person the girls came up in the Transit in the Ev<sup>g</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Sheriff Jarvis came over with two Children went on to the Falls J & T Stayner W Duff C Sinclair H. H. H & Eliza walked to the Boat to meet Jane & Julia R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton much fatigued from his ride
- 45 June 29 Sunday cloudy some Rain H. J. not well ate some soup & parted with most of it also her Breakfast dressed and lay down again to rest Julia Hamilton came to

see if she could have the Horse & Carriage to go to Niagara – as if the Family did not wish to attend Church – Jessie – Eliza Alx<sup>r</sup> – drove Julia Hamilton to Niagara Ev<sup>g</sup> Church – M<sup>rs</sup> Miss J & T Stayner called – M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Miss Glory & Henry Creighton – Lewis Stayner – W Duff – C Sinclair W Tench Jane Hamilton – Alx<sup>r</sup> went to M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners and borrowed yest – Jessie got Letters from Mr Duff – M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent some cold roast Mutton to make soup of –

- 30 Rain in the morn<sup>g</sup> cold H. J. in the House all day felt very sick Augusta M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up HO Jessie & Alx<sup>r</sup> took her down to Niagara
- 45 June 30 Jarvis gone on horse-back Anne washing C Sinclair tying up some rose bushes Frank Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick Jessie & H H H went to call on R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton H. O. &c came home nearly ten O'Clock a windy night but cold H H H reading to H. J. Edmund Tench Jessie bought herself a fine shawl \$3 a pr shoes for Baby too tight over the Instep Baking –
- July 1<sup>st</sup> a fine mild morn<sup>g</sup> H. J out in the Air feels better this morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. drew a cork the Ale flew half away H. J. took a little Girls Ironing H. J knitting her Purse & reading A M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent some soup to H. J. by M<sup>r</sup> Keeper Catharine returned from Kingston by way of Toronto in the Chief Justice looking much better –
- 45 July 1 Jane Hamilton W Duff T & J Stayner Edmund Tench H J. received a Letter from the Bank of Upper Canada with an order for fifteen pounds Cy a deposit from Mess<sup>r</sup>s Guin Halifax & Co unknown friend who by H. J. many blessings on the donors for it she not having a shilling to bless herself with and eighteen weeks confined to her Room with sickness
  - a dull morn<sup>g</sup> some Rain fine about ten sent for Cath<sup>ns</sup> Baggage Jessies
     Baggage sent to the Cars a Man tuning the Piano J Stayner cording up Jessie's
     Trunk H. J. took a glass of Milk Punch feels very great disability this Morn<sup>g</sup> H.
     O pain in her stomach paid for tuning the Piano, the man brought up an Instrument which formed a Little Band he offers to put my Organ in good repair –
- for ten Dollars believe shall have it done Jessie & Child left us for Amherstburgh Mr Creighton drove Jessie & Catharine to Chippawa with Pony Mr & Mr Creighton T & J Stayner C Sinclair Mr Stayner Jane and Eliza Hamilton Mr Fitzd H. H. H & Eliza went down to Janes at ten at Night Rain in the afternoon and in the Night brought the Cystern's nearly full Boys gone to the Whirlpool for Cherries Girls to Uromans' for the same
  - very fine morn<sup>g</sup> up late Boys w<sup>d</sup> not get up scarcely time to eat their Breakfast went for Cherries got none Ann churned four pounds of Butter M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup>
     Creighton J & T Stayner C Sinclair –
- 45 July 3 T & J Stayner & the little Creightons spent the day with Herbert they broke the Wheel of the little Carriage Jane Hamilton H H H & Eliza went down to Janes little Eliza borrowed H. J<sup>s</sup> seals to make impressions for baskets
  - 4 fine morn<sup>9</sup> cool H. J. parted company with her Breakfast feels very weak this morn<sup>9</sup> no Oil to day Eighteen Week since H. J. was confined to her Room wasting away without any pain except the throwing up her food and the pain in her Back attended with weakness in her Legs M<sup>rs</sup> Stone an old servant to H. O. sat here till twelve then crossed the River to go Home M<sup>rs</sup> & Miss M<sup>c</sup>Micken Jane Hamilton J & T Stayner C Sinclair putting a new lining in the Carriage H. H. H. & Eliza went over the River with M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton H. O H H H & Hellen drove to Niagara to get some Money

- 45 July 4 for H. J. come home without it owing to some strange alteration in dates at the Banks my Pension always having been drawn on the fifth Of January fifth Of April fifth Of July & tenth Of October for the last fifty years
  - Very fine morn<sup>9</sup> mild H. J. out on Verandah does not feel well H. O. repairing the Carriage Cushions of the Carriage Girls scrubbing H. O. Eliza & Herbert went to Niagara received of M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick on account of H. J. the sum of Eight pounds otherwise thirty six Dollars a deposit in the Bank of Upper Canada from whom unknown she spent Ten Dollars –
- 45 July 5 returned to Tea H H H finished the Carriage Cushions and J Stayner the Carriage
   C. Sinclair W Duff Jane & Julia Hamilton
  - Sunday a very warm day Eliza went to Niagara Church in McPhersons Waggon & little Eliza H. J. very unwell all day threw up every thing she took nearly starved for want of nourishment H. H. H & Eliza went to walk with Jane C Sinclair J. Stayner W Duff Jane and Julia Hamilton H. J. very restless during the night with pain in her Back & the Heat Boys out walking with John Guernsey Caro Emma & Herbert went to see M<sup>rs</sup> Grayham then played with Phoebe Guernsey –
- 45 July 7 A letter from Mrs W. B. Robinson fine morn<sup>g</sup> a good Wind very warm H. H. very weak throwing up every thing she takes –

Ann Washing – Cath<sup>n</sup> Baking – H H H & Eliza reading Mary of Burgandy – Chapter – about = in the afternoon – H. J reading Martin Chuzzlewit –

A singular thing – a Man seven feet seven inches high went over to Toronto to show himself for Money – A Boy twelve years old – weighing twenty pounds and measuring twenty inches high – exhibiting himself at Lewiston for Money at twenty cents – W Duff – J & T Stayner – C-Sinclair D' Mewburn – called about the Organ – Jane Hamilton H. H H & Eliza went down to Janes – Little Eliza Hamilton Children took a mug of Cream to Mrs Creighton – for her Tea – Harrison & Tom Mewburn sick – Mrs Frank Mewburn an other son – Miss Henrietta Mewburn returned from Toronto – Heat very oppressive during the Night –

- 45 July 8 The Men finished cutting the Meadow last Ev<sup>g</sup> Very fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J restless in the night owing to the heat H. O. rose at five and churned between three & four pounds of Butter the Mossess Bell rang at five in Lewiston this morn<sup>g</sup> Pressing & Mangling M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton and Jane Hamilton drank Tea here J & T Stayner W Duff Frank Alx<sup>r</sup> and soldiers put the Hay into the Barn nearly a Ton better than none tho' short two Tons from Mr Guernsey Hogs and the dry season Old Crab sent to borrow our Watering pot could not be found H. J. restless much disturbed by unpleasant Dreams
  - 9 A fine cool morn<sup>g</sup> H. J out on Verandah read her Bible then Martin Chuzzlewit M<sup>rs</sup> A. H McCormck –
- 45 July 9 Catharine spends the day at M<sup>rs</sup> Creightons H H H Jane & M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner drove out to St Catharine H H H did not get her tooth put in drank Tea with M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> brought M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizer and two Children up she stayed all Night –
- a fine morn<sup>g</sup> very warm –
  woke this morn<sup>g</sup> at daylight by cannon firing which made us all jump out of Bed the
  new Steamer Niagara brought the President to Lewiston and took him back at
  four O'Clock with the Band playing Baking two M<sup>rs</sup> Seacords & Miss Seacord –
  H H H gone to Janes Eliza playing the Piano Mary Hamilton came to borrow Tea
   Letters from Jessie She arrived at Amherstburgh safe found her Friends well

expects to move the next day to Sandwich – H. J. finished reading Grizzlewit – much amused with the variety of Characters

Catharine made a rollapola Carrot Pudding for Dinner – H H H & Eliza went to take a Row with W Duff – J & T Stayner –

- 45 July 10C Sinclair Lane & Eliza Hamilton came to Mangle their Clothes Old Crab came up here –
  - 11 19 weeks H. J. has been confined to her Room is still so feeble as not to be able to walk without holding by some-thing A fine day extremely warm H. O drove Mr Fraizer & Children to Niagara with Jarvis bought the two Bows each a chip Hat 6/– and some other Articles for H. J. as by account J. Stayner C Sinclair Miss Jane Mr Micken offers his House for Barracks at £50 per annum new Barracks to be immediately Built up on the old site on the Mountain under the Monument Mary Hamilton drank Tea here H. J. took Oil which abated her Fever –
- 45 July 12A fine day but very warm H.J suffering from the Heat has very little Fever to day – of course feels better – has not thrown up as usual to day <del>as usual</del> –
- 13 Sunday J & T Stayner C Sinclair the Girls Cath<sup>n</sup> & Hannah & Jane went to Stamford Church in the afternoon drank Tea with M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton walked up with them in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Alx<sup>r</sup> rode up to the Whirlpool with M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>o</sup>Pherson drank Tea at M<sup>r</sup> Shaws it is said M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>o</sup>Pherson is to marry one of the Daughters they had Pies Preserves Cakes bread & butter & Fruit and a cordial invitation to go again came back at Eleven at Night rode the Mare other was lame J & T Stayner C Sinclair M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton sang several Hymns and Psalms during the Ev<sup>g</sup> H. J. had Fever all day not able to move all day
- 14 fine oppressively hot M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton and Children came &
- 45 July 14spent the day M<sup>r</sup> Creighton came to see of M<sup>rs</sup> C would go over the River to see the Circus asked Cath<sup>n</sup> H H H & Eliza to be of the Party then asked Jane & little Eliza with some difficulty Old Crab gave them leave Miss Stayner stayed here to take care of the Baby Miss Stayner remained all Night J & T Stayner C Sinclair H. J very unwell suffered with Heat restless at Night Boys drawing Water from the River to wash tomorrow six Barrels M<sup>rs</sup> Tench sent H. O. a mess of green Peas M<sup>r</sup> Guernsey sent to say H. O could have some Peas if she would have them picked
  - an other hot day H. J. not well had to take Wine at nine in the morn<sup>9</sup> she felt so faint and low half past the Miss Stayner not gone Home I think she will catch it when she does go and will scarcely have permission to come again
- 45 July 15Boys gone to school they were much pleased with the Circuit the Man got drunk that lent the Boat to M<sup>r</sup> Creighton and would not let them have it to return with much altercation they at last succeeded and returned safely the young Ladies did not think the Circus as good as what they had seen before –

Ann Washing – H. O Churning – M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in the Transit – to say good bye – she going down the lake for her Daughter Frances who is sick – She returned in the Transit at two O'Clock – A party of Five men from Toronto – landed at Lewiston dined and returned in the American Boat – Lady of the Lake – Band playing – the party Hugging Hurraing like so many Fools – H. O – Helen – Alx<sup>r</sup> & Caroline drove to Niagara in the Ev<sup>g</sup> H. O. had a letter from Ms Fitz<sup>d</sup> – she is very sick with

45 July 15Fits – and is going to Hamilton on the seventeenth – Hugh Richardson – Sandy & W
 Duff – J & T Stayer & Lewis Stayner – Miss Stayner was sent for by her Mother – W
 Tench – C Sinclair – Catharine dined with Jane – Jane here in the Ev<sup>g</sup> – Emma went and picked Peas at Mr Guernseys and Jarvis –

an other very Hot day – H J passed a restless night – feels tolerably well this morn<sup>g</sup> – if it only lasts she feels tired after dressing – the Heat is great

H. H. Went to spend the morn<sup>g</sup> with Jane – came up to Tea – for a wonder no one here this day – Ev<sup>g</sup> – Miss Jane W Duff – J Stayner – Harry Stayner to borrow the brass Kettle – H. O. Alx<sup>r</sup> – Jarvis – Emma & Herbert drove to St Davids for yest – bought a pink Frock for Caroline –

X A Woman took possession of the Cottage – she has

45 July 16 three Children – is to pay two Dollars a Month if she assists any in the House – if not one & a half Dollar in Money

The Girls went to the River to Bathe – found it very pleasant – after the great Heat of the day – four days the Thermometer has been up to 93 – 94 – 96 – and 99 degrees – People all busy cutting their Wheat – and Carrying Carrying it into their Barns – fearing Rain – M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent Helen & Emma each a nice Frock each – ready made

- 17 fine cool morn<sup>g</sup> the Sun rose in great splendor threw a variegated orange sky it shot up like a Rocket and remained so for half an Hour when a heavy blue cloud obscured it for a time then it appeared again in its original brilliancy Mary Hamilton came up to ask Alx<sup>r</sup> to walk to the Boat with little Eliza tis will make him lose his spelling & writing Lessons this morn<sup>g</sup> –
- 45 July 17Baking Eliza made such bitter Bread that all complained they could not eat it Ironing Miss Jane came up to starch and Iron her Fathers shirts begged some yest M<sup>r</sup> C Sinclair called to say good bye came up stairs to see H. J. H. O got a Letter from the House of Stocking, saying she owed them seven Dollars caused her to pay four Pence Postage very considerate to a distressed Widow H H H. got a Letter from C Duff W Duff J Stayner Boys took the Carriage down to the River to swell the Wheels Grip tore a Mans Cloths he was a stranger who had just taken possession of the Cottage no doubt they will become better acquainted soon Grip more civil

H H H slept at Janes -

- 18 Fine morn<sup>9</sup> cool and pleasant X Twenty Weeks H. J. has kept her Room, from sickness. very little prospect she will ever quit it till she quits it for good –
- 45 July 18Alexander fifteen years old this day the Calf not well did not eat his breakfast or Dinner but took its supper Cath<sup>n</sup> went & sat with Jane came up to Tea H. O. went to see M<sup>rs</sup> Sullivans Child who had Fits the Girls went and bathed H. O received a Box of six bottles of Wine from S. P. J. for H. J. Hugh Richardson Sandy & W Duff Miss Smith J & T Stayner C Sinclair a fire broke out in M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Phersons Field which gave them some trouble to put out drawing Water from the River they were afraid of their Wheat being burnt they are very busy taking in their Wheat into the Barn Boy took the Waggon to the River to swell the Wheels in the Ev<sup>g</sup> brought it up again H. J much fatigued this Night
  - a comfortable cool night H. J slept sound and is much refreshed for it the day is cloudy and misty and cool and an appearance of Rain which is much wanted
- 45 July 19still is not wished for on account of their Grain a Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> S. P. Jarvis H. H. H. Jane & J Stayner drove to St Catharines H H H had her tooth put in which added much to her Beauty it made her look young again M<sup>rs</sup> S. P. Jarvis sent some sago to H. J. Catharine & Caroline walked out to M<sup>rs</sup> Tenches W Duff & Eliza went to meet them did not see them came back to old Crab & sat till past Ten Jane Eliza Julia Mary & big Eliza went in bathing Alx<sup>r</sup> went as Guard H.O. & Herbert went over the River to buy some Cheese she went in to see Sullivan's sick Child H. J. suffered through the night with Heat –

20 – Sunday – cloudy – high Wind – cool – H. J. feels very unwell – the St Laurence came in about day light and made a most distressing noise – blowing off steam

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- 45 July 21school Hon<sup>ble</sup> John Hamilton & two Sons Mary Hamilton to borrow sugar & beg Milk Afternoon very Hot M°Perhsons & Williams Fields and Wood on Fire clouded up at Sunset a thunder storm not much Rain at Queenston J Stayner Julia Hamilton to borrow a cup of Tea H. H. H & Eliza went down to Janes in the Ev<sup>g</sup> stayed till past ten when they got there they never know when to leave unless sent for Eliza not dressed when her Uncle came at six O'Clock H. H. H would not go down to see him altho' dressed very rude I think of her and disrespectful a cool night H. J. slept in clover –
- 45 July 22A fine cool morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. feels tolerable no so well after she got up ate a little boiled Rice it did not sit easy on her stomach thought it was not quite done a high westerly Wind Boys drew Water from the River a Letter from Augusta saying she was to go to Coburg to school immediately and would not be allowed to come down to see us & that Cathy's Child was sick had four Teeth J & T Stayner W Duff W Tench a Hail storm at Niagara the Hail-stones an Inch long J & C Hamilton Jane M<sup>rs</sup> McC<sup>o</sup>rmick returned with Fanny Sandy Mary Hamilton
  - 23 fine rather cool H. O took the Children to Niagara bought some Ale & Biscuit H. J. sat on the Gallery all day reading not very well M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton J Stayner W Duff Jane Hamilton Eliza went down to Janes M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken came to say that Hon<sup>ble</sup> John Hamilton would pay for the Boys
- 45 July 23schooling & to send Herbert news reached here that Montreal had been attempted to be burnt – Rochester also – and a great part of New York – Girls cleaning H. J. Room – H. O mending the Carpet –
  - rather cool H. J. out on the Gallery Girls Ironing or Baking H. J. sucked some broiled Lamb and drank some Ale Children went to M<sup>rs</sup> Creightons for yest Emma gone for Letters night cool H. J. troubled with phlegm and a cough H. O wrote to Mary Jarvis

A Letter from Jessie – Cath<sup>n</sup> H H. H & Jane spent the Ev<sup>g</sup> with M<sup>r</sup>s Creighton – M<sup>r</sup> Creighton – Hugh Richardson – Sandy & W. Duff – J Stayner – Jane Hamilton – Boys drew a load of Wood & Chips from the bush – Brown told them not to take any more for it was on his Land

- 45 July 24and he must pay two shilling a load if he did altho' it is nothing on the ground a charitable disposition Alx<sup>r</sup> told him he thought it was on the concession line where any one might take it M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent work to H. O. to send for black Currants Calf got out and ran in the Field for some time Mangling
  - a fine mild day H. J out on the Gallery feels very faint and unwell Caro & Emma gone to M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners for Currants Jarvis wick with Dysentary Hebert complaining Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to school Helen looking very ill – Girls Ironing Ann Washing Mary Hamilton came up in a great fluster about the Irons Jane & little Eliza brought up their Clothes to Mangle H. J. tryed to eat a sweet Bread it all came up again & made her sick M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick was up and returned in the Transit looked not well kept her Bed the day before H. J. had the
    - X Fever all day X 20 Weeks since H. J. was taken ill Catharine H. H. H & Jane drove to Drummondville –
- 45 July 25bought H. O. a dress an Alda-pasha at 6/6 a yard 7 yds Hugh Richardson –
   Sandy & W Duff a Letter from Jessie J & T Stayner Miss Smith –

- fine weather H. J. the Fever H. O. Alx<sup>r</sup> Caroline & Emma went to Niagara in Chief Justice returned in Transit at twelve bought two dollars worth of sugar Jarvis a pr of shoes 10/ Girls went down to Bathe it began to Thunder & lighten and Rain They left bathing and came back in haste not much Rain Miss Jm H. J. took Oil and feels W. Duff Eliza went down to Janes after Tea H. H. H preserved some black Currants Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Williams to get a load of Chips could not get them for Williams was busy & could not show him the waggon
- 27 Sunday a fine cool morn<sup>g</sup> Catharine gone with Duff to St Catharines Church Eliza & little Eliza gone with M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Pherson to Niagara Church Miss Smith &
- 45 July 27Miss Hosmer Alx<sup>r</sup> sick with tooth ache Jarvis riding the Mare returned with a beautiful pr of white Trousers had to put on an other pair Caroline & Emma gone to Sunday School then to Methodist meeting H. O. gone down to see about Dinner against Eliza's return Catharine returned about five much fatigued M<sup>rs</sup> Mills very sick Eliza did not return till seven stayed to afternoon service J. Stayner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton T Stayner Jane Hamilton
  - 28 a fine morn<sup>g</sup> N-W wind cool Miss Hosmer H. O gone to see M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken Transit came in a qt<sup>r</sup> before the Bell rang
    - X uncommonlyly early X Herbert began school with M<sup>r</sup> Tribe Hannah & Eliza & Jane spending the day at M<sup>rs</sup> Creightons came home about ten
- 45 July 28J & T Stayner Edmund Tench he swam across the River & back again
  - cloudy morn<sup>g</sup> thunder lightning and some Rain nearly filled our Cysterns a timely supply for we were quite out of soft Water H. O. & H H H went to see M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner and M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton who was to have her likeness taken the weather proved too cloudy and it could not be done Rain in the Ev<sup>g</sup> J. Stayner M<sup>r</sup> Creighton & Children –
- 30 fine morn<sup>g</sup> clouded up about ten wind West cold M<sup>rs</sup> & Miss Street called and brought H. J. some Beans & Spinage H. J. ate the Spinage with great relish and retained a part H H H sent to Janes they were to go up to M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton again 45 July 30the weather being cloudy they did not go Eliza gone to Janes H H H returned home Mary Hamilton to beg Milk Eliza in the Ev<sup>g</sup> -
  - 31 fine morn<sup>g</sup> not much Wind cool & comfortable H. J. slept indifferently coughed and spit frequently during the Night dressed in the Morn<sup>g</sup> felt very III for want of nourishment sucked some beaf stake drank some Ale felt better H. O & H H H gone to see M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton have her likeness taken Louisa Stayner to say John was going to Hamilton at two O'Clock and would take letters or any thing we had to send H.O. wrote to Cath<sup>n</sup> R<sup>t</sup> & Catharine Freeman Catharine & Helen drove little Eliza & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton to Drummondville M<sup>rs</sup> Chetwood Hamilton & Miss
- 45 July 31Le Fever Hugh Richardson Sandy & W Duff Jane Hamilton Henry & Mrs Stayner M<sup>r</sup> Sinclair and Wife and adopted Child arrived from New York, on a Visit to M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner H H H reading the Flirt aloud M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken recommending a fortnights Holydays to the Boys M<sup>r</sup> Gorden and Miss Irons arrived from Amherstburgh went directly on to Niagara M<sup>r</sup> Gorden returned to the Falls –
- August 1

  22 Weeks since H. J. has not been out of her Chamber –
  a fine cool morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. our on Gallery does not feel so ill as yesterday attributes
  it to eating a Biscuit and sucking the Juice of some Beef-stake which remained on
  her stomach for Breakfast– Catharine & Eliza gone to call on M<sup>rs</sup> Sinclair M<sup>rs</sup>
  Lyons and M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in the Transit and stayed till two when they

returned to  $-M^{rs}$  Fraizor sent the Purse with slides & Tassels - that she kept for H. J. -

45 August 1 to Niagara in her – showery during the Day – Mary Hamilton came to beg some Sulpher & Milk – Jane Hamilton – Hugh Richardson – Sandy & W Duff – T Stayner – H. O. gave some Biscuit & W\*\* to M<sup>rs</sup> Lyon & M<sup>c</sup>Cormick – no Butter to be had – any where – never known Butter so scarce as at this time

The Blacks all dined St Davids – in honor of Immancipation – they had the Band with them belonging to the Royal rifle core – they played one tune passing through Queenston – M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick told us that M<sup>rs</sup> Reed was dying & perhaps dead –

H. J. very weak – more so than she has been since she was taken ill – coughed & threw up all Night –

- August 2A fine mild morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. & Emma going to Niagara for Brandy for H. J. Ann Guernsey to borrow
- 45 August 2a bed Key H. O. returned in the Transit M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton brought M<sup>r</sup> Creightons Profile for H. J. to see, also his sons a good likeness Boys gone for Wood H. O. churned got a tolerable lump of Butter M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner borrowed Pony to go for her clothes at the Wash Louisa Tench M<sup>r</sup> Alx<sup>r</sup> Gordon Boys returned with a load of Wood Jane & Julia Hamilton Jessie Ross J & T Stayner Lewis Stayner and Boys went for M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners clothes late before they returned W Duff HJ quite sick very much fatigued at night could scarce get into bed with the assistance of H. O.
  - Sunday a fine mild day H. J. rather better by no means well Alx<sup>r</sup> gone to Stamford to the opening a new Methodist
- 45 August 3 Church Eliza gone over the River to Church with Jane &c &c Caroline & Emma gone to walk with Miss Stayner J Stayner W Duff M<sup>r</sup> Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton & little Fred M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Sinclair M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton brought her Minature to show H. J a striking likeness Miss Smith W Tench Children did not come home till past Eight had had no Tea H. J passed a restless night had the Night mare frightened Catharine almost out of her Wits she ran all around the Room to find her way out bounced head against the Door Eliza was calling me to turn over
  - 4<sup>th</sup> An other fine warm day a good Wind which makes it pleasant H. J. is up and out on the Verandah not so much debilitated as yesterday– Caroline gone
- 45 August 4 out to Miss Tench for her Bonnet to be tried Boys gone for Wood Boys returned with a load of Wood Jane Hamilton M<sup>rs</sup> Mills & Nanny D<sup>r</sup> Harrison he came to put in H O<sup>s</sup> Teeth they look very well Miss Tench and M<sup>rs</sup> Hodders Children three in number Capt<sup>n</sup> Tench Alx<sup>r</sup> Gordon Mrs Mills & party drank Tea here and returned to St Catharines about five Boys going to Niagara to get some Ale for H. J. got a dozen Ev<sup>g</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gorden Edmund & W Tench & Miss Tench two Miss Rosses Jane Eliza and Julia Hamilton J & T Stayner W Duff Rb<sup>t</sup> Cumming M<sup>rs</sup> Haddon's Servant girl a band played in the Orchard till Eleven H. J. had the Fever all night slept very badly very restless all night just at daylight the Fever abated H. J fell into a doze woke not refreshed feels very weak –
- 45 August 5 a warm clear morn<sup>g</sup> little Wing H. J. very weak and has a Fever ate some
   Beef rather sucked some drank some Ale H. O. making a Bonnet for M's Tench
   the Girls preparing to go to the Falls for a ride a party of Hamiltons Rosses
   Stayners Creightons Sinclairs & Tenches & Gordons & Cummings Boys took
   the Waggons to the River to wash & soak the Wheels Letters from Jessie Letter
   from Cathy Freeman Cath<sup>n</sup> Julia & Jessie Ross Jane Eliza and Julia Hamilton Cath<sup>n</sup> H. H. H & Eliza Hamilton Miss Whitney Miss Smith Miss Trench M' &

M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton – M<sup>rs</sup> J & T Stayner – M<sup>r</sup> Ball – R<sup>t</sup> Cummings – Hugh Richardson – Sandy Duff went to the Falls had Ice-creams & Tea at the Clifton and a dance – two O Clock when they returned – Miss Ross's all returned

- 45 August 5 to Niagara Miss Tench slept here at five in the morn<sup>g</sup> returned home H. J. had no Fever during the night feels refreshed for the sleep she got the night tolerably cool M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken sent H. O. a piece of Veal two Tirkeys hatched brought five young ones only one white one–
  - a fine morn<sup>9</sup> warm very little wind H. J. felt tolerable before rising and very faint after dressing R<sup>t</sup> Cummings came up with the Omnibus to take the Girls to Niagara Cath<sup>n</sup> H. H. H. & Helen Jane & Corneilla Whitney & Old Bob went in the Omnibus with him A coachman offered H. O an hundred Dollar for Poney which was refused Bland brought 12<sup>lb</sup> soap at /6 and some Beef the Party returned about six Miss Whitney called for a few minutes Julia Hamilton came up for Walk Miss Whitney returned to Lewiston to a Party
- 45 August 7 [sic] R<sup>t</sup> Cummings came in , in the Ev<sup>g</sup> promised to lend us the remainder of the Wandering Jew J & T Stayner Julia Hamilton H. O. wrote to S. P Jarvis to go by M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick who was to go over in the morn<sup>g</sup> for Fanny in the Chief Justice Cath<sup>n</sup> & Helen dined at M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormicks H H H & Miss Whitney and Jane at the Rosses Eliza Robinson's birth day 44 years old H. O. wrote a Note to M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick H. J. suffering from the heat & Fever very restless Night H. O. Churned only 1½<sup>lb-</sup>
  - an other fine morn<sup>g</sup> very warm no wind close H. O. and Girls washing H. J took Oil it acted well cooled her Fever some feels very weak rose late washed & dressed wished for some of Augusta's Colliflower but will not ask for it M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in the Transit & returned had some bread &
- 45 August 6 milk a cup of Chocolate a glass of Butter milk Washing done at two O'Clock and a great part of the clothes dry & taken in - all very tired - Jarvis rode the Mare up the mountain to try and get some Butter - Poney leaped out of the Fields and followed him - he broke his Girth and left it - borrowed an other - never asked if could get Butter any other time -

M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick sent H. J. some dried Herring – a small Piece of Ham & two little Cabbages – M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> brought H. J. four Ears of green Corn – M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton – J & T Stayner – Jane Hamilton – M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton sang one or two songs – H. J. slept better than the night before –

- 8 rainy Morn<sup>g</sup> which cooled the air most agreeably cleared of about eight continued cloudy H. J. parted with all her Breakfast does not feel well is free of Fever weak and faint Girls mangling H. O. Ironing
- 45 August 8 23 Weeks since H. J. has left her chamber farther than the Verandah she suffers no pain– but is wasting away daily Gods ways are merciful particularly me had my pains been equal to Helen I could not have born them Alx<sup>r</sup> Gordon Edmund W & Louisa Tench J & T Stayner W Duff About Three in the morn<sup>g</sup> the Family were awoke with the Heat when they observed lights all over M<sup>r</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Hamiltons House listened and heard a \*\* talking could not make out any thing supposed M<sup>rs</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton was again III Miss Elia was awoke by the stirring of Papers struck a light when she observed a Man spring out of Chamber Window She followed and endeavoured to lay hold of his Clothes she did not succeed she then tryed to upset the Ladder which she had not strength do do the Man had unpacked all their Clothes and left them on the Floor their work Box's and dressing Cases
- 45 August 8 rummaged over all the Papers taken what money they found a valuable Pearl Ring a pr of Boots of Miss Julias carried off the work Box and some of the Papers and thrown them into M<sup>rs</sup> Hamiltons ground where they were found in the morn<sup>g</sup> – He

stole the Ladder from M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Mickens House to enable him to enter the Chamber Window – he had a dark Lantern – his coat rong side outward – was a large Man had Moccasins on – held his shoulders very high to prevent his Face being seen – Miss Jane fainted twice – with fright – the Man went immediately down to Avon Guernseys and entered his room – but found nothing to please his Fancy– News reached this place that M<sup>r</sup> Kermot had been burnt out and lost his whole establishment of Waggon making

A Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> S. P Jarvis – with a bottle of Calfs foot Jelly

- 9 an other sultry day M<sup>r</sup> R<sup>t</sup> Hamilton called this [line inserted at base of page] Charles McCormick to say good bye – before he went to sea again
- 45 August 9 Morn<sup>9</sup> and gave us the proceeding account twelve O'Clock the Transit came over M<sup>rs</sup> Chetwood Hamilton two Children and Miss Le Féver came up in her and sat an Hour wishing to take Catharine down for a few days she could not go H. O. Jarvis Caroline & Herbert drove to St Catharines to get her Teeth fixed they made her mouth very sore the Dentist altered them and made them easy H O returned at nine Alx<sup>r</sup> rode out to meet her M<sup>r</sup> A Gordon Edmund Tench W & Miss Tench J & T Stayner W Duff Miss Whitney sent some Book for us to read Jane Eliza & Julia Hamilton came up to Mangle H H H slept at Janes –
- 45 August 10Sunday a fine morn<sup>9</sup> very warm clouded up at twelve some Rain lent Jane a loaf of Bread –

Caroline & Emma gone to the Post Office with a Letter for Jessie – Boys went in to swim – Edmund Tench came with his Carriage and took Catharine to Stamford Church – drank Tea with young M<sup>rs</sup> Boyd returned ten – H. H. H – Eliza & Jane set off to go to Stamford Church – Jane not being ready made them too late – they drove to the Whirlpool – in returning the shafts got lose and Pony ran down Queenston Street – a man stopped him with Out any damage – M<sup>rs</sup> & Miss M<sup>c</sup>Micken & George Miss Smith – J & T Stayner – W Tench Hugh Richardson Sandy Duff – W. Duff – Julia Hamilton – H H H slept at Janes – Children went to walk with Phoebe Guernsey – Catharine read the Psalms & Lesson – H J. could not keep any thing on her stomach this day – H. O wrote to Cathy Freeman – H H H slept at Janes

- 45 August 11A delightful rainy morn<sup>g</sup> very mild the rain will get the grass growing to the gratification of the poor Cows & Horses H. O Churning all washing H. J. took a Cup of Milk with some Brandy after which a glass of jelly– and some Soup and retained some of it washing done at half past 12 Catharine going to Niagara in two O'Clock Boat M<sup>rs</sup> Stevens did this morn<sup>g</sup> after long suffering by asthma M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton borrowed Pony & Waggon to go to the Falls Jane Hamilton drank Tea here a Letter from Jessie a Letter from Augusta to
  - X H.J. X The old Cow broke out of the Pasture is more quiet today Catharine returned in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Boat Miss Le Livre accompanied her stayed all Night Ev<sup>g</sup> M<sup>r</sup>s Creighton J & T Stayner Hugh Richardson Sandy & W Duff Miss Smith Miss Nichol Miss Jane Hamilton –
- 45 August 11Miss Le Lévre M<sup>r</sup> Gordon Edmund & W<sup>m</sup> & Miss Tench Miss Le Lévre sang several songs H. J. with her cough could not eat her soup down Clothes all dry starched and folded H H H slept at Janes Mary Kingsmill Wife has a daughter a seven months Child Charles M<sup>c</sup>Cormick left to join his ship
  - A fine morn<sup>g</sup> very warm H. J. has the Fever feels very slim M<sup>r</sup> Munro came up with Orders to M<sup>r</sup> Cox not to leave his Post for half an hour Boys just come in with two loads of Wood M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Keefer M<sup>rs</sup> C Seacord & M<sup>rs</sup> Sinclair drank Tea here Ev<sup>g</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Creighton

- X M<sup>rs</sup> Sinclair J & T Stayner Sandy & W Duff X A Letter from S. P Jarvis inclosing twenty Dollars M<sup>rs</sup> Sinclair & Miss Le Lévre sang several songs most pleasantly Boys took the Waggon to St Davids H H H slept at Janes
- 45 August 13Rain Miss Le Lévre went to Niagara in the morn<sup>9</sup> Boat Mr Street was so kind as to call and take my affidavit The Man was again in R<sup>t</sup> Hamiltons yard he was pursued it being dark made his escape H. J. much disturbed with her cough it being cool slept tolerably sound feels much better to day H. J cannot go out on the Gallery too damp H. O. busy below The Girls Mangled and Ironed yesterday H J mended three Towels yesterday M<sup>rs</sup> Stevens buried at Niagara Alx<sup>r</sup> drove his Uncle R<sup>t</sup> H to the two O'Clock Boat Mary Jane Eliza & Julia came up to Tea Lewis Stayner came for the brass Kettle Boys chopping Wood Boys gone for the Waggon late before they got Home cost two shillings J & T Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken asked the Girls to tea on the fifteenth H J very restless during
- 45 August 13the night H H H slept at Janes Old Bob W<sup>m</sup> & Miss gone to Toronto -
  - A very fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. not well no Fever still very unwell sucked some broiled Beef and drank some Ale felt a little better Boys gone for Wood Baking Cath<sup>n</sup> & H H H making H. Os Dress M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick brought a Letter to read from Miss Peters June Eliza & Julia Hamilton dined here Boys brought two loads of Wood Miss Stayner brought a pot of preserved Plums for H. O. Cath<sup>n</sup> H H H Eliza & Helen Mary Jane Eliza & Julia Hamilton M<sup>rs</sup> Ross Jessie Miss Nichol Miss Smith Miss Le Lêvre Miss Tench W Tench M<sup>r</sup> R Gordon Hugh Richardson Sandy & W Duff M<sup>r</sup> Ball J & T Staynor all drank Tea & spent part of the Ev<sup>g</sup> at M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Mickens Old Allen played the Fife They danced eat Cakes drank Coffee till O'Clock –
- 45 August 14Catharine very sick with Bowell complaint. H H H bad Head ache Eliza also Miss Le Lévre slept here and went down in the morn<sup>g</sup> Boat Old R<sup>t</sup> came as far as Niagara and stayd all Night
  - an other fine morn<sup>g</sup> 24 Weeks H. J. has been confined to her room Wasting away & losing strength daily Miss Le Lévre went down in the morn<sup>g</sup> Boat also Miss Rosses M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> Gerald brought some Beans to H. O. sayed Maria was better & wished to return the D<sup>r</sup> says not that she must be kept moving about H J had a restless night H H H & Eliza went to take a Row with W Duff M<sup>rs</sup> Major Richardson died suddenly –
- 45 August 16a fine morn<sup>g</sup> H. J. Oil did not set well gave her much pain did not rise till after twelve M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson arrived in the twelve O'Clock Boat from Bond Head she is looking very well W Tench came in form Catharine to go out to spend the Day with his Mother & Sister the Girls going out in the Ev<sup>g</sup> H. O. went over the River bought some Butter Cheese & Herring & Sugar Catharine Hannah & Eliza Jane & Eliza Hamilton spent the Ev<sup>g</sup> at M<sup>r</sup> Tenches M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup>s Creighton J & T Stayner also near twelve before they returned H. J. passed a restless night rained all the latter part of the Night M<sup>rs</sup> Boyd lost her youngest Child suddenly
  - 17 Sunday a fine day very close and warm H J had Fever all day not able to sit up the whole
- 45 August 17W Tench came and borrowed our Waggon to drive Julia Hamilton to Stamford
   Church Jarvis rode on Horse back they started so late that Church was out when
   the arrived there they drove on to the Falls and Whirlpool and returned at four –
   M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton drank Tea here and stayed till past ten it began
   to Rain & rained all night, did much good & cooled the Air H. J had the Fever all

- night very restless  $M^r$  Cox had a Dinner party of  $M^r$  Tench Jarvis Holmes and two or three others sat down at eight O'Clock H H H slept at Janes –
- showery in the morn<sup>g</sup> H. O. & Girls washing baking washing done about three clothes dried and folded M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner spent the afternoon here drank Tea and stayed till nine Jane Hamilton J Stayner Edmund & Miss
- 45 August 18 Tench stayed till past eleven H J<sup>s</sup> fever left her in the Night H H H slept at Janes
  - some rain- cleared about ten Ironing & Mangling done H J ate some soup and a Cracker which remained on her stomach for the first time in ten days has no Fever today is able to sit up the cool night made her sleep comfortable the steam boat made a great fuss in letting of her steam when she came in at three O'Clock two Eliza & Jessie Boyd gone out rowing with Will H H H gone to swim

    Mrs McMicken brought some grapes to H. J J Stayner came and got our Buckets out of the V\*\* T Stayner -
- 45 August 20fine morn<sup>g</sup> very warm H. J quite warm a good deal of Fever – H. O. churned & baked for Breakfast Alx<sup>r</sup> went to Williams's for Flour could not get any will have some in a day or two M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken sent H. J some beautiful virgen Honey the People going out of the Cottage with Out paying the Rent. H. O sent for M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton he sent for Wadsworth who came News arrived last night that the Hon<sup>ble</sup> John Hamiltons lady had a son & Daughter also that Harrison Mewburn was to return and take his Fathers Farm Frank was to go into partnership with Father John was expected come
- 45 August 20from Italy and Thomas was engaged on the Canal this engagement will make it very pleasant to the D<sup>r</sup> & Family M<sup>r</sup> Munrow Hugh Richardson Sandy & W Duff J & T Stayner Edmund & W Tench Miss Foxy married to a man with six Children Several propellers taken up by the forwarders to bring goods to Toronto &c &c Jane Hamilton H H H slept at janes Letters from Jessie H. J. slept some restless H H H slept at Janes Old Robert had Fits Jane Julia H<sup>n</sup> & Jessie Ross up mangling
  - A fine morn<sup>9</sup> H J finds herself very weak did not rise till near Eleven could not keep any thing on her stomach Boys digging Potatoes for Jane Old R<sup>t</sup> had Fits again M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken came home H. O went down to see old R<sup>t</sup> Eliza spent the ev<sup>9</sup> with Jane –
- 45 August 21 HHH slept at Janes J Stayner H. J. slept bet indifferently although cool -
  - 22 25 Weeks since H. J. has been sick a fine morn<sup>9</sup> H J has no Fever this morn<sup>9</sup> feels very weak Alx<sup>r</sup> broke the Rains getting the Carriage out of the water George & M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick came up in the twelve O'Clock boat brought some Beans Caulifower & Potato's and a Biscuit for H. J. H. O. & Eliza Robinson went to Niagara in two O'Clock Boat Catharine set off to go with them altered her mind and returned H H H gone to Tea at M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners Land came with Out meat saying he was disappointed H. J. suffering with pain in the Back felt quite sick all the afternoon M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton– Louisa Tench three of the Hodders & Servant girl Catharine & Eliza walked up to M<sup>rs</sup> Stayners after Tea H. O & M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson returned in the Chief Justice to Tea Fanny M<sup>c</sup>Cormick
- 45 August 23 [sic] came up and stayed all Night H. J. suffered with pain in her Back had it bathed with cold Water and found much relief slept indifferently Mrs Robertson gave H. O a dark Callico dress H H H slept at Janes Mrs Stayner sent H. J. some Ginger-bread could not eat it too sweet Calf got to the Cow and sucked her dry Mrs Guernsey borrowed the brass Kettle –

23 – a very fine morn<sup>g</sup> – very warm – H.J. not well – out on the Gallery – throwing up all she takes – Boys gone over the River for Sugar – returned – breakfasted and went to school – Jarvis gone to get the Hayms mended at St Davids – Helen preserving Plums – Girls scrubbing & Baking

M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent Henry with a Basket of Plums -

- 45 August 23Jane Hamilton drank Tea here J Stayner S. P. Jarvis & son Charles M<sup>r</sup>
   Munrow H H H slept at Janes Eliza passed an Hour or two at Janes W Duff –
   H J had her Back bathed the night cool she slept sound frequently waking –
   Eliza slept none eaten up with Flees w<sup>d</sup> not get a Candle at last was obliged to strike a light caught the Offender at at bright slept
  - Sunday a fine cool day in the morn<sup>g</sup> H H H & Jane & John Stayner gone to Stamford Church Cath<sup>n</sup> gone with Edmund and Louisa Tench to Stamford Church Boys gone with M<sup>r</sup>-M<sup>c</sup>Pherson to Stamford Church Caro<sup>ne</sup> & Emma went to Methodist meeting & the Love feast & see them take the sacrament H. J. felt tolerable in the morn<sup>g</sup> was sick all day M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton brought two ripe Tomato's J Stayner sent H. J. a ripe Peach she ate a Tomato it all came up again M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson & Head-ache– Transit came over this afternoon very warm
- 45 August 24Cath<sup>n</sup> returned about Ten H H H broke down as usual H H H slept at Janes
   H. J. slept the first part of the Night the latter part broken M<sup>rs</sup> Tench sent H. J. some Galina Eggs
  - fine morn<sup>g</sup> cool M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Lain & Miss Camming came about nine in the morn<sup>g</sup> stayed till half past Eleven & went to M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Mickens The Chief Justice brought over a party of Methodists said to be about 500 they proceeded on to the Falls dined and returned and crossed in the Transit to Toronto in the Night the Band played during the time they were embarking M<sup>r</sup> Munro came for the Girls to go and hear the Band J. Stayner Edmund Tench Washing done put out dried taken in & folded down starching done H. J. had her back bathed received relief slept well the fore part of the night restless in the after part Eliza badly treated by the Bugs went out on the Gallery and sat at the risk of taking cold would not take advice M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken sent work to Eliza to say she was going
- 45 August 25 next week to Amherstburgh and w<sup>d</sup> be happy if she would accompany her H H H slept at Janes Eliza & Julia spent the afternoon here went home to Tea Bland lost a Child on Sunday brought no meat home neither Friday Saturday or Monday an other Butcher refused to come up the Hill to sell any– M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton brought some shirts to Cath<sup>n</sup> to be finished Jane Hamilton Helen preserving Plums T Mewburn the Chief Justice returned in the Night to be ready for her morn<sup>9</sup> Trip
  - 26 fine pleasant cool morn<sup>g</sup> H. J feels free of Fever slept well in the first of the Night restless the later part baking ironing Helen & Caroline cleaning the green room window
    - M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Leeming came and sat here an Hour Mary Hamilton came up for the Umbrella her Sisters left here H. J. finished little Jessies Bag J Stayner H H H slept with Jaen Eliza spent part of the Ev<sup>9</sup> at
- 45 August 26 Jane Boys and Girls went with Pony to Niagara for some ale could not get any took Bottles back
  - 27 fine morn<sup>g</sup> a heavy shower between seven & Eight cleared off then an other shower at Eleven Herbert came home wet M<sup>r</sup>s Robertson & Cath<sup>n</sup> went to Niagara in the Transit at two to get some Ale for H.J. she wishes it was here feels very weak to day feet & legs much swollen throws up every thing this day scarce able to sit up at all H. O. gone to Jane to have her dress fitted Jane

borrowed half a loaf of Bread – Jane came up & helped H. O make her dress – did not finish it – H H H slept at Janes – M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson & Catharine returned in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Boat – could not get any Ale – Augusta sent some Beer – not good – M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizor was delivered of a Son this morn<sup>g</sup> – at six O'Clock

- 45 August 28Fine cool morn<sup>g</sup> H. J slept well, but does not feel well with Feet & Legs much swollen stomach disordered Catharine gone to spend the day with M<sup>rs</sup> Fraizor H H H & Jane to spend the day with M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner Caroline & Emma to spend the day at M<sup>rs</sup> Tenches a Letter from Mary Peter to Catharine Boat late in Mary Peter s<sup>d</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman would be down on Monday and perhaps she also H. O. busy making her Frock H H H slept at Janes
  - 29 26 Weeks since H. J. was taken III getting worse every day so weak that she cannot stand alone her thread is near spun M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton J & T Stayner H H H slept at Janes –
- 45 August 30 fine morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. very ill all day W B Robinson from bond Head arrived in the Ev<sup>9</sup> Boat with a head ache took a glass of cold water and went to bed M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton J & T Stayner & Louisa & Henry M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner sent some Plums to preserve & some Peaches to eat H H H slept at Janes Rain during the night all helping Eliza and Julia to be ready to go tomorrow
  - 31 Sunday a fine day & Robert Hamilton Eliza & Julia left this for New York for his Health in the Ev<sup>9</sup> American Boat M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner J & T Stayner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson drove to St Catharine to Church did not return till nine at Night H H H slept at Janes Catharine went to H\*\*
- 45 August 31 Church with Miss Tench -
- Sep<sup>t</sup> 1 fine morn<sup>g</sup> Washing done dried & folded Baking M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson gone to Niagara in morn<sup>g</sup> Boat returned in twelve O'Clock Boat dined & went in the two O'Clock Boat to Toronto M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner Jane & Mary Hamilton J & T Stayner & Henry heavy Rain in the night H. J. very restless in the night thought the night very long H H H & Eliza slept at Janes Eliza finished H. J bags for Jessie M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> & Master Fitz<sup>d</sup> spent the day here
  - 2 fine morn<sup>9</sup> H. J out on the Verandah very ward Mary & Jane Hamilton Emma gone to post Office
- 45 Sept 2 no Letters Mangling, Ironing H. O making her Frock Transit came in at twelve H. J. ate an Egg it all came up again twelve O'Clock Boat brought M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman child & servant & Mary Jane Hamilton Mary & Jane Hamilton J. Stayner Hugh Richardson Sandy Duff a German came up to play on the Piano played and sang very well H H H slept at Janes H. J. slept better than the night before much troubled with her cough M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman brought H. O & H. J. a dark cotton dress V –

Rain in the afternoon & night

- 3 fine morn<sup>9</sup> H. J. out on the Gallery M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman helped H. J. to dress M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick & George came up in the twelve O'Clock Boat brought some Peaches M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton sent some Peaches & a Mash Melon
- 45 Sept<sup>r</sup> 3a beautiful Basket of Peaches from an unknown quarter Cathy Cath<sup>n</sup> Mary Jane
   Child & Servant went down to Niagara in the two O'Clock Boat M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick & George also M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Micken left this for Amherstburgh and four Children took a small Parcel for Jessie the German came again to play the Piano composed a Waltz for Mary Jane H. O. Cath<sup>n</sup> Cathy & Eliza working away at Lewis Stayners shirts M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner & Jane gone over the River H J much better today a restless

night M<sup>rs</sup> Freeman – Child & Servant– Cath<sup>n</sup> – Mary Jane did not return till Eight O'Clock – M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton – J Stayner H H H slept at Janes – H. J. slept sound – excepting when disturbed by her cough – which was rather frequent – H H H fell down the steps and scratched her Nose – stole a mug of cream – did not break the P\*\* Pitcher –

- 45 Sept<sup>r</sup> 4a fine morn<sup>g</sup> a small shower Sam<sup>l</sup> Jarvis Peters & son M<sup>rs</sup> Ferris gave an an agreeable surpris this morn<sup>g</sup> lunched here took Cath<sup>n</sup> back with them to the Falls to sleep at Manchester and return to Queenston in the Cars tomorrow morn<sup>g</sup> H. O wrote a note to Augusta to inform her of S. J. Peters's arrival and their intention to of seeing her tomorrow Letters from Jessie H. J throwing up every thing this morn<sup>g</sup> Mary & Jane Hamilton H<sup>k</sup> Richardson Sandy Duff W Tench J Stayner John R. Peters & Daughter spent an hour or two with H. J. this afternoon very agreeable People never saw them before from New York M<sup>rs</sup> Ferris gone to spend the day with M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Cormick Sam<sup>l</sup> J Peters gone to Toronto is to return in the next Boat Mary Peter gone to Niagara with M<sup>r</sup> Peters –
- 45 Sept<sup>r</sup> 4H. J. slept tolerably cough rather troublesome very weak lifted out of Bed nearly exhausted eat some soup parted with it immediately a Letter from Augusta
  - 5 27 Weeks since H. J fell sick –

very fine morn<sup>g</sup> – H J did not leave her bed to day very weak and Fever – eat nothing – very thirsty all day.  $M^r$  Fitz<sup>d</sup> called on his down to Niagara to dine at the Mess – with the General – Mary & Jane Hamilton dined here Edmund & W Tench – Hugh Richardson – Sandy Duff – J Stayner – George Freeman a little better – H. J not able to leave her Bed – eat nor drank anything that she retained very weak and Fever – out on the Gallery –  $M^{rs}$  Stayner sent some Plums for Jessie – H J. slept very well – Mary Peter returned in the Ev<sup>g</sup> Boat – the Cows were both out of the Field this morn<sup>g</sup> –

45 Sept<sup>r</sup> 6 a fine morn<sup>g</sup> – H. J very unwell – slept well – Cows came home soon after the Boys went to school – one milked the other not till the Boys came from school – Frank Stayner brought a basket of Peaches – M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> called & took Cathy Freeman – Child & Girl to his House at Chippawa Cathy had a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Freeman – Rob<sup>t</sup> had returned with his Wife – who was better – R<sup>t</sup> had rented his new Cottage – very fortunate for him – as it was but just finished – good encouragement to commence an other –

M<sup>r</sup> Munro – Boys gone for Butter – got six pounds Mr Fitz<sup>d</sup> took Cathy to Chippawa – Hugh Richardson – Sandy & W Duff – Miss \*\* Edmund & W Tench – J Stayner – very high wind some Rain –

- 45 Sept<sup>r</sup> 7Sunday wind continued very high a perfect gale M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner gave H. O a pound of Tea Hugh Richardson Sandy & W Duff J & T Stayner Edmund & W Tench Wind very high H H H slept at Jane H J. very sick
  - 8 Monday a large party came up over from Toronto an other from Hamilton to the Falls Court opened at Niagara H J. very sick & not able to leave her Bed Hugh Richardson & Sandy & Duff J. Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Stayner M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton H H H slept at Janes Wind abated –
- 45 Septr 9 A fine day cold enough for a fire Widow Seacord drank Tea here M<sup>r</sup> Fitz<sup>d</sup> came for Mary Jane to go to Chippawa the Girls going to M<sup>rs</sup> Creighton Children picking up Apples Jarvis gone over the River for Sugar Alx<sup>r</sup> & Caroline gone for more Apples –

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