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1794-
September
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October

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Saturday Wind N West a Moderate Breeze fine clear Weather - this fore noon Mr George Sutherland set out with 9 men over land having previously Dispatch'd 5 Canoes and 2 Boats with Trapping Goods for Lomontown & Home

Sunday Wind Northly a strong Breeze, fine clear Weather - at 9 A.M. an Indian man Arrived in Quest of Tobacco & Ammunition Gave him a small supply, he went away, Engaged a Hunter for the Winter season -

Monday Wind Northly, a stiff Breeze - Weather clear & cloudy alternate. People Employed at various Job about the House - at 4 P.M. 3 Indian young men Arrived for Tobacco & Ammunition Gave them they went away, sent the Hunter a Hunting

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1794

October 2

Tuesday Wind N. & W. - 10 Miles Strong. Weather part clear part cloudy. a Sharp frost the last night People Employed Repairing the House

3

Wednesday Wind S.E. Stiff Breeze - clear cool Weather. People Employed as before

4

Thursday Wind Variable Stiff Breeze. Dark cold Weather. People Employed at Various Jobs. one Making a Gate. others Getting of mud in order to run the House

5

Friday Wind Northly, Stiff Breeze - Weather clear & cloudy. Alternate People Employed as yesterday. the Hunter Arrived no Success.

6

Saturday Wind Northly, Strong Breeze - clear Weather. People Employed cleaning the Plantation, at 4 P.M 3 Indian men - Arrived brought a little Beaded meat & some fat. Gave them a small Supply they went away

1794

October 8

Sunday Wind Northly Stiff Breeze. Dark heavy Weather. Inclinalble to Snow at 4 P.M 4 Blackfoot Indian Arrived brought a little Porcino & a few Furs. People Employed Cleaning the yard &c

9

Monday Wind Southly a Moderate - Breeze - Weather Inclinalble to Snow at 4 P.M 4 S. Head Indian Arrived - brought a little Porcino & a few Furs. People Employed Cleaning the yard &c

10

Tuesday Wind East Strong Breeze - fine clear Weather. People Employed Repairing the House - at 5 P.M 3 Blackfeet Indian Arrived brought a little Bear meat & some fat

11

Wednesday Wind Southly, Strong Breeze - hazy Weather. People Employed at Various Jobs - the Indian left the Plantation

12

Thursday Wind & Weather the same as yesterday. People Employed Mending the House &c - at 7 A.M 2 Indian young men Arrived for Tobacco gave them they went away at the same time 4 Sutherland Indian men - Arrived brought upon Beaver in Furs - 2 large Canoes Arrived from Edmonton House to fetch

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October

Sporing Goods that was left here on Mr. George Johnson's Arrival. Likewise brought word that there was a 10 men with 10 Horses before there Journey down by land and expect they will be here to morrow. the Indian of yesterday went away.

13

Friday Wind Northly Moderate Breezes fine clear Weather. At 10 A.M. the People Arouse with the Horses, received orders to Dispatch 3 men from this in order to meet the Packed People Employed Cutting fire wood. See-

14

Saturday Wind Variable Moderate Breezes Weather for part clear, latter overcast incl to Snow. 3 men making ready to set out to morrow. Others at various Jobs.

15

Sunday Wind Westly Stiff Breezes dark heavy Weather Inclitable to Snow. Dispatch 3 men with 10 Horses in order to meet the packers, one man taking ill

1897
October 16

Monday Wind Southly Stiff Breezes, with his family Arrives brought a small quantity of Provision. People Employed Cutting of Fire wood &c.

17

Tuesday Wind Northly Stiff Breezes. cold clear Weather. the Indian of yesterday went away. sent 4 men to Collect pitch. Others cutting fire wood. Lt. Donalds boat sick

18

Wednesday Wind N East Stiff Breezes. fine mild Weather. People Employed Cutting of Graft for laying up the canoes for the Winter season. the Hunter Arrived with that he had killed a Cow Moose

19

Thursday Wind Westly Stiff Breezes. Weather Inclitable to Snow. sent men away with the Hunter to get the meat of the moose. others at home Employed at various Jobs.

20

Friday Wind & Weather as yesterday. at 3 P.M. 6 Blackfeet Indians Arrived brought some provisions and a few furs. People Employed at home

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1797
October 21

Saturday Wind Variable stiff, Breeze - Weather overcast & inclinable to snow, at 10 AM the people arrived that went away on Sunday last brought word that Benjamin Bruce their fellow Traveller has been sick during their absence & prevented them from proceeding any further - as they expected his death every hour - ordered 2 men to accompany ^{them} back to tomorrow, People employed cutting fire wood - etc.

22.

Sunday Wind variable stiff Breeze, dark color Weather at 7 AM Dispatch the above men - at 4 PM a party of Blackfoot Indians Arrived brought a little fat & a few robes - skins -

23.

Monday Wind N West stiff Breeze, Showers of snow at times, Indian of yesterday while on the Plantation, the people arrived which I Dispatched on Tuesday last to collect pitch - People at home cutting of fire wood etc - an Indian man Arrived from the Hunters Post with the meat of a half Rupale, gave him a supply of ammunition he went away

1797
October 24

Tuesday Wind Northly Moderate Breeze, Weather part clear part cloudy the Indians of Tomison left the Plantation - sent 4 men to collect pitch, others cutting of grass for their horses -

25.

Wednesday Wind N West Moderate Breeze - showers of snow & hail at times, at 2 PM Mr. Wm Tomison Arrives with 3 large Canoes loaded with Trading Goods from York Factory all in good condition

26.

Thursday Wind Northly Moderate Breeze - cold clear Weather Mr. Tomison having received a small hurt in one of his knees prevents him from leaving this place so soon as he would wish - a man arrives from the Hunters Post, brought word that he had killed a Red Deer & was sent off men to fetch it -

27.

Friday Wind Variable stiff Breeze, Weather overcast Inclinable to snow, People employed laying up the Canoes for the Winter season - the People Arrived with the meat of the Deer & moose



1797

October 28

Saturday Wind Northly, Mody Breeze. fine
Sea & Ice Drift very little in the
River, people Employed Cutting of Fire wood.
etc.

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29

Sunday Wind Northly Sharp clear cold
Weather

the
30

Monday Wind & Weather as yesterday
People Employed at various Job about the House

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31

Tuesday Wind N.W. Not a stiff Breeze
clear Weather Mr Johnson getting ready to cross
the River & bring fæ from Ice, at 8 P.M. crossed
the River with Horse and a small Quantity of
Trading Goods - in Company with 9 men - people
at home Employed Cutting of Fire wood etc

November

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Wednesday Wind Southly Moderate Breeze,
fine mild Weather. People Employed Cutting
of Fire wood -

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2.

Thursday Wind Northly stiff Breeze.
Showers of Snow all Day People Employed,
as before, Benjamin Bruce continued, very ill

1797

November

3

Friday Wind N East a Mody Breeze sharp
clear Weather. People Employed Cutting of Fire
wood. 2 men Arrived from pitch Hunting

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4

Saturday Wind Northly Moderate Breeze clear
cold Weather. People Employed at various Job
Benjamin Bruce still ailing

the
5

Sunday Wind Eastly stiff Breeze, clear
cold Weather.

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Monday Wind Northly stiff Breeze, cold
Weather. people Employed, Cutting of Fire
wood.

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7.

Tuesday Wind N East sharp, clear Weather
People Employed Cutting of Fire wood -

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8.

Wednesday Wind Variable Moderate Breeze
Weather Inchable to Snow. 2 men Arrived
from the Hunters Tent brought meat of a live
Buffalo, sent away the 2 men again -

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November

9. Thursday Wind N West Moderate Breeze - fine, clear Weather - people employed, the men, wet fast Bent Bone while Continue very ailing
10. Friday Wind Northly a strong Breeze - sharp, clear Weather. People Employed Cutting fire wood for
11. Saturday Wind Northly stiff Breeze - thick snow & Drift all Day. people Employed as before
12. Sunday Wind Northly strong Breeze. Weather Inclinalble to Snow, O'Donald, Coal taking very ill
13. Monday Wind Northly strong Breeze, clear Weather. People Employed Cutting of Fire wood sent 2 men to the Hunter Tent to fetch meat
14. Tuesday Wind Northly stiff Breeze, sharp cold Weather. people Employed as before. The 2 men arrived from the Hunter Tent with a Box loaded with Buffalo meat, they likewise brought word that he has killed a Cow Buffalo

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November
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Wednesday Wind Northly, strong Breeze fine clear Weather, sent 2 men to the Hunter Tent for the meat before mentioned, others - employed Getting Pine wood for Refe making

Thursday Wind Northly, a strong Breeze cold clear Weather People Employed at various jobs.

Friday Wind N West Stiff Breeze. dark heavy Weather Inclinalble to Snow. People Employed Cutting of Pine wood for Refe - Vat

Saturday Wind Variable Moderate Breeze, cold Weather, sent 2 men to the Hunter Tent to fetch meat. others - cutting of Fire wood, 2 men still very ailing

Sunday Wind Southly. Moderate Breeze - Weather overcast Inclinalble to Snow. The 2 men arrived from the Hunter Tent, brought the meat of 2 Beasts. They brought word that there was the meat of 4 Cows - at the Tent

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November 20

Monday Wind Northly. Stiff Breezes, clear
heavy rainy Weather. people employed cutting
of fire wood 2 men very sick -

21

Tuesday Wind Northly. Stiff Breezes -
rainy Weather sent 2 men with horses to
the Hunters Tent for meat. others getting home
birch wood for making of sleds -

22

Wednesday Wind Variable Moderate -
Breezy clear Weather. people arrived
from the Hunter Tent with their horses
loaded with meat

23.

Thursday wind Southly. Stiff breezes -
clear Weather. at 2 P.M. Mr George Sutherland
arrived accompanied by 8 men &
horses from Edmonton House. Delivered up
the charge of home to the above Gentleman
sent 4 men to the Hunter Tent for meat
people at home at various jobs - Making
of sleds etc

Henry Hallott

1195

November 24

By Mr George Sutherland

Friday Wind N West. Moderate breezes -
thick rainy Weather. on my arrival at
this place I found all well except 2 men
viz Sargeant Bruce & Donaldson MacLean
who have been sick some time past. & no
medicine on the house fit for them - Found
a small quantity of fresh provision dried
and 45 lbs made beavers in furs. in the house
men at home Cutting of fire wood 4 men
arrived from the Hunter Tent with the
flesh of 4 cattle -

25

Saturday Wind Northly. Stiff breezes.
thick drifts of snow. people employed
making of sleds & cutting of fire wood

26

Sunday Wind Northly. Stiff breezes -
sharp clear Weather. 4 of those men
which accompanied me down from the
upper Settlement returned with trading
goods etc

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December
27

Monday Wind & Weather as yesterday
sent 2 men to the Hunting Tent to get
meat, people at home at various jobs. 2 at
the saw pit, one making of hoops for Rep.
others clearing the Snow out of the yard.

28.

Tuesday Wind Northly stiff Breeze - very
sharp cold Weather. People Employed as
before. the 2 men arrived from the Hunting
Tent with their Horses loaded with meat
brought word of there being 6 Battle at the tent

29

Wednesday Wind as yesterday sharp
cold Weather. went to men to the Hunting
Tent for meat. People at home at various
Jobs. an Indian man arrived brought a
few Furs. of which he paid his Debts
the 2 men still very ailing.

30.

Thursday Wind N & West stiff Breeze
cold Weather. People Employed 2 at the pit
saw one Making of Keg. Others cutting of fire
wood. people arrived from the Hunting Tent
brought the meat of 4 Battle.

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December
28

Friday Wind Northly stiff Breeze, very cold
weather. went to men to the Hunting Tent for
meat. People at home Employed as before the snow
still ailing

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Saturday Wind N & West Moderate Breeze
clear Weather. people arrived from the Hunting
Tent brought the meat of 4 Battle.

3.

Sunday Wind Southly Strong Breeze fine
winter Weather. this Evening we had a Total -
eclipse of the moon we cannot tell Precisely
when it began as it was not Observed till 5 -
minutes past Nine - and Continued till 21 -
Minutes past a 11 it was Beautiful to a great
degree as we had the Advantage of full Moon and
very clear - with an Infinite Multitude of Stars.
Perhaps there is no Country in the World where
the heavenly Bodies can be viewed with the
naked Eye to more advantage than here in the
Winter Season, the 2 sick men much the
same.

4.

Monday Wind N West stiff Breeze fine
clear Weather. sent 7 men with Horses & sleds.
People at home Employed Cutting of fire wood.

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December 15

Tuesday Wind Northly Moderate Breeze
fine mild Weather, at 1 P.M. the people arrived
from the Hunting Tent with their Horses loaded
with meat, 2 men still very ailing —

16.

Wednesday Wind Variable Moderate Breeze
fine mild Weather sent 8 men to Hunting
Tent for meat, people at home Employed at
various Job.

17.

Thursday Wind Northly Moderate Breeze
fine Weather, People arrived from the Hunting
Tent brought the meat of 8 Cows - the sick
men still Continue very ill —

18.

Friday Wind Eastly stiff Breeze Weather
was not inclinable to snow, people Employed
at various Job, at 2 O'clock this afternoon —
Donald Knott Departed this life after a severe
illness which he laboured under since the 15 of
October last — the other poor man Benjamin
Yance remain very ill and I am apprehensive
that he will not get over it, it being the same
Disorder —

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December 19

Saturday Wind N East Stiff Breeze,
Showers of Snow all Day, People Employed —
making a Coffin & Diving a Grave for the
Deceased man

10.

Sunday Wind Variable Moderate Breeze —
Sharp clear Weather, this afternoon Buried the
Coffin

11.

Monday Wind & Weather the same as —
yesterday sent 10 men to the Hunting Tent
to fetch meat, others Cutting fine wood

12.

Tuesday Wind S West Moderate Breeze —
fine mild Weather, the people arrived from
the Hunters Tent with the meat of 4 Cows —
People at home Cutting of Fine wood — Dr.

13.

Wednesday Wind S West Stiff Breeze,
fine mild Weather sent 5 men to the —
Hunters Tent to fetch meat, others making
of Gleas — &c.



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December
14

Thursday Wind Northly Stiff Breeze, cold clear Weather, 6 people Arrived from the Hunters Tent with the meat of 5 Cows - 5 Blackfeet Indians Arrived brought a few Horses Skins

15

Friday Wind N East Moderate Breeze cold clear Weather. Indian of yesterday went away - sent 5 men to the Hunter's Tent for meat V.C.

16.

Saturday Wind N West Stiff Breeze, cold clear Weather, People Employed cutting of fire wood. the 5 men Arrived from the Hunters Tent brought the meat of 5 Cows.

17

Sunday Wind Northly Stiff Breeze. cold Weather. 6 Indians Arrived brought a few Furs.

18.

Monday Wind Southly Moderate Breeze, mild Weather. the Indians of yesterday left the Plantation, sent 5 men to the Hunters Tent to fetch meat, 2 men Arrived from the Hunters Tent brought the meat of 2 Cows.

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December
19

Tuesday Wind Variable Strong Breeze, fine clear Weather. People Arrived from the Hunters Tent brought the meat of 3 Cows, others Employed at various Job.

20

Wednesday Wind S West Moderate Breeze, fine mild Weather. sent 4 men to the Hunter's Tent for meat, others Employed Cutting fire wood &c.

21

Thursday Wind Northly Stiff Breeze, sharp clear Weather, 6 People Arrived with the meat of 7 Cows. People at home Employed at various Job -

22.

Friday Wind Northly Stiff Breeze. Sharp clear Weather, sent 11 men to the Hunter's Tent to fetch meat. others cutting of fire wood.

23.

Saturday Wind S S West Stiff Breeze, clear cold Weather. the people Arrived from the Hunter's Tent brought the meat of a 11 Cows. others cutting fire wood.

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Sunday Wind Southly Moderate Breeze, nice sunny Weather -

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December 25 Monday Wind N East Strong Breeze Snow
of snow at time

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December 26 Tuesday Wind and Weather as yesterday

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the 27 Wednesday Wind Northly stiff Breeze. Shay
clear Weather sent 6 men to the Hunting Tent
for meat. others Cutting fire wood. -

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the 28 Thursday Wind Northly stiff Breeze thick
rainy Weather. People of yesterday brought
the meat off Cow. Others Cutting of Fire wood

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the 29 Friday Wind Variable Strong Breeze thick
Dorst & Snow all Day sent 8 men to the
Hunting Tent to fetch meat. others Cutting
fire wood. Meng. Bruce still sailing -

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the 30 Saturday Wind West Moderate Breeze,
thick rainy Weather the people Arrived
from the Hunting Tent. People at home
Employed Cutting of Fire wood -

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January 1 Sunday Wind Northly stiff. Breeze. clear
cold Weather. Meng. Bruce still sailing

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January 2 Monday Wind SSW West Moderate Breeze
fine mild Weather a fall Indians Arrived
for Tobacco. Gave them they went away

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January 3 Tuesday Wind Southly stiff. Breeze -
cold Weather. People Employed Cutting of Fire
wood. a band of fall & blackfeet Indians
Arrived, brought a Middle Quantity of Horses
& Provisions

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January 4 Wednesday Wind east by stiff Breeze. clear
Weather. the Indians of yesterday still in the
Plantation, sent 6 men to the Hunting Tent
for meat others Cutting of Fire wood. -

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January 5 Thursday Wind & Weather as yesterday
the People Arrived from the Hunting Tent.
brought the meat of 8 Cow. the Indians of
Tuesday left the Plantation. People at home
Employed at various Jobs -

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